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SUMMARY.

The Japanese are showing extraordinary activity in bombarding Port Arthur by day and night.

They are now battering the last defences on the eastward side, preparatory to making the final assault.

Several Russian howitzers have been captured.

The Japanese shells are damaging the shipping in the port.

Both sides display unparalleled determination and fortitude.

The Russian bands play their National Anthem and the Japanese in the trenches cheer and sing patriotic songs.

St. Petersburg advices state that the Russians have lost 9600 men at Port Arthur since September 2.

General Stoessel says that he will shoot the next person who comes to summon the garrison to surrender.

Firing has been heard of Sakhalien, and it is believed that a naval battle is in progress.

Russian cavalry at Mukden report that a big advance of the Japanese is taking place westward of the railway.

The Japanese have advanced to Davan, on the left bank of the Liao River.

The "Lokal Anzeiger" reports that the Japanese are crossing the Hun-ho, 50 miles from Mukden.

Swarms of Japanese disguised as Chinese coolies are trying to dynamite the railway between Khabarovsk and Harbin.

The Chinese at Mukden refuse to act as spies for the Russians.

On the railway lines in Manchuria under the control of the Japanese they are now running 60 locomotives.

Every Japanese household has sent a blanket to the front.

Some soldiers in Bessarabia resort to self-maiming even to chopping off their hands and feet to avoid service.

The Senate passed the Supply Bill yesterday and adjourned until October 12.

In the House of Representatives the debate on the no-confidence motion was resumed.

Sir William Lyne said he would go a long way in State socialism, although he was opposed to extreme socialism.

The Legislative Council yesterday passed the Infant Protection Bill through committee, and referred the City Bank Act Extension Bill to a select committee.

The adjournment was moved in the Assembly to criticise the Government for giving free railway passes to some unemployed.

The Minister for Works explained that the passes were only issued as a trial to men who already had work to go to.

The Premier introduced a bill suspending the Public Works Committee till July, 1905, and fixing the amount of its maximum fees.

The Minister for Works said yesterday that he had asked for a larger vote to expedite the Port Kembla Harbour works.

The South Australian Assembly is debating a motion aiming at the abolition of the State Governorship.

A return shows that only a little over 59 per cent. of the male and female electors on the rolls voted at the last State elections.

At the Bathurst Synod yesterday, the Bishop, in his presidential address, took a very hopeful view of the future of Church work.

The associated colliery proprietors of the Newcastle district will lower the selling price of coal to 9s per ton from January 1.

This will carry a reduction of 4d per ton in the hewing rate.

In the case of Dr. F. W. Marshall, who is charged with manslaughter, the jury were unable to arrive at an agreement yesterday.

The Archbishop of Sydney unveiled a memorial table, to the late Dean Cowper at St. Andrew's Cathedral yesterday.

The Minister for Works says that the local councils must take over the South Head roads.

The Public Morals Association is taking action to prevent the employment of children in the streets as news vendors, match-sellers, etc.

The Fruitgrowers' Association at Adelaide has refused to join in an agitation for increased duties on fruit in view of efforts to find foreign markets.

At Eaglehawk (Vic.) a drill came into contact with a charging charge which was not known to exist. One miner was killed and another injured.

The amount of the deficiency in the accounts of the Hobart City Council has been refunded on behalf of a person who has left the State.

The Water and Sewerage Board has decided not to grant supplies for street watering until water from the gravitation service is available.

A report shows the extravagant character of the Homebush pumping plant, which has a capacity of 1,000,000 gallons for a demand of 30,000.

The Newtown Council has decided to make experiments with dressings of hot tar and grit on macadamised roads to suppress the dust nuisance.

The Chief Secretary does not consider that the Burns statue should be placed in the Botanic Gardens.

Montefiore Joseph Wharf was sentenced to three years' imprisonment yesterday for embezzling £1007 as belonging to the Australian Widows' Fund Office.

The Inspector-General for the Insane reports that at the end of the year there were 4950 insane persons in the State, an increase of 263.

The Inspector-General, in commenting upon overcrowding, says there are 194 insane persons more than can be properly accommodated.

Further beneficial rains have fallen in the State. The Government Meteorologist predicts another storm from Western Australia within a week.

Rough weather prevails on the coast and small vessels are taking shelter.

In the interstate hurling match yesterday Victoria defeated New South Wales.

The Anglican Synod yesterday carried a motion dealing with the appointment of a tribunal to try clergymen for offences.

Some members of the synod opposed the proposal on the ground that the power of preliminary investigation should not be taken out of the hands of the bishops.

By the judgment in Webster v Shaw in Melbourne the Australian Alliance Company is ordered to pay to its insurance fund over £31,000 and interest.

Sums aggregating about £23,000 have to be paid into the same fund as profits which ought not to have been distributed to the shareholders.

The Agricultural Bank at Perth last year advanced £109,450 to settlers, and realised a profit on its operations of £2036.

Mr. Carruthers intends to ask the Legislative Assembly to express its opinion regarding the Federal capital site prior to entering upon negotiations with the Commonwealth.

Mr. Hogue yesterday practically refused a request to revive a lapsed vote of £2500 for a new hospital at Wollongong.

Victoria expects to receive this year about £110,000 less than last year from the Commonwealth.

A report supplied to the Butter Commission yesterday stated that the assets of the Fresh Food and Frozen Storage Company had been absolutely sacrificed.

It was stated that the precipitate manner in which the assets had been disposed of aroused suspicion that the whole story had not been told to the shareholders.

Before the Boulder Perseverance inquiry yesterday, Michael Flynn, late underground manager, justified the large estimates of ore reserves made last December.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of GEORGE WIGHT McLEISH, late of Thornton, near Nevertire, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased, intestate.—Notice is hereby given that the Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-first day of October, at twelve o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same; and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me, and passed according to law. Dated this twenty-eighth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and four. T. W. GARRETT, L.S., Registrar. HENRY WESLEY LOVETT, Proctor for Administratrix, Warren. By Messrs. LEVY and FULTON, his Agents, 82 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE WILL OF ROSE ANN GARNOCK, late of Bukalong, near Bombala, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debt or claim upon or affecting the Estate of ROSE ANN GARNOCK, the abovenamed deceased, who died on or about the fourteenth day of November, 1903, and Probate of whose Will was granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Probate Jurisdiction on the tenth day of June, 1904, to DAVID MATTHEW GARNOCK and ANDREW WILLIAM GARNOCK, of Bukalong, near Bombala aforesaid, Graziers, the Executors named in the said Will, are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the said Executors, or to the undersigned, FREDERICK CHARLES BOYS, Proctor, on or before the nineteenth day of November, 1904, at the expiration of which time the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the debts and claims only of which they shall then have had notice; and the said Executors will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this twenty-seventh day of September, A.D. 1904. FREDERICK CHARLES BOYS, Proctor for Executors, Maybe-street, Bombala. By H. C. ELLISRICH, his Agent, Bligh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MICHAEL JOHN CHORLEY, late of Tenterfield, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JAMES CHORLEY, of Tenterfield aforesaid, Farmer, the father of the said deceased, and all creditors and other persons having claims against the Estate of the said deceased are hereby requested to send in particulars of the same within the said period to the undersigned. And notice is hereby given that upon the application for the said Administration a power of sale will be asked for by the said JAMES CHORLEY over all the lands of the said deceased. JAMES FRANCIS THOMAS, Proctor for the Applicant, Tenterfield.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JANE BEAUMONT, late of Ashfield, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-first day of October, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the said Executors. Dated this twenty-eighth day of September, in the year 1904. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of the Honorable THOMAS DALTON, late of "Wheatleigh," North Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Merchant, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof an application will be made to the Honorable Court to pass the Executors' Third Accounts filed in this Estate, and for the allowance of a commission to the said Executors on the First, Second, and Third Accounts herein. M. A. J. DALTON, T. J. DALTON, MARK SHELDON, Executors.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of EDWARD HOPE WALLACE, late of Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed Edward Hope Wallace, deceased, may be granted to HOPE HELENUS SCOTT WALLACE, the sole Executor therein named. And all notices, etc., may be served on the undersigned. F. LYNNE ROLIN, Proctor for Executor, 92 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM HENRY COOPER, late of Southgate, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to RICHARD ELLEM, of Southgate aforesaid, Farmer, the Executor named in the said Will, and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. RICHARD ELLEM, Southgate.

APPLICATION FOR A COLONIAL WINE LICENSE.—To the Licensing Court of the Metropolitan Licensing District of Sydney.—I, PETER LENSI, Refreshment Room-keeper, of 131 Regent-street, Sydney, do hereby give Notice that I desire to obtain, and will at the next Quarterly Licensing Court, to be holden at the Central Police Court on the tenth day of October, 1904, apply for a certificate authorising the issue of a Colonial Wine License for a house situate at 131 Regent-street, Sydney, assessed at the rental of £71 10s a year. Dated the twenty-third day of September, 1904. PETER LENSI, Refreshment Room-keeper, 131 Regent-street, Sydney.

RELIGIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CENTENARY HALL.
TO-DAY, 1.15 p.m.: Business Men's SERVICE. Last of Addresses by Rev. M. SCOTT FLETCHER, M.A. Subject: "THE WILL, and How to Train It." Soloist, Miss BEST.
WELCOME TO ALL.

ST. MICHAEL'S, Flinders-st.—50th Anniversary of Laying Found. Stone, to-night, 7.30, Rev. Fielding.

AUCTION SALES.

ORDER OF SALE.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, SEPT. 29, 1904, AT 11 A.M.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE ROOMS, 15 OXFORD-STREET, WAVERLEY.

SURRY HILLS.—HOUSE, 51 Marshall-street, freehold. Annual rental, £31 4s.
KATOOMBA.—8 Allotments, 50 x 150 each, in Sections 5 and 10 of the Town Lots Subdivision, facing Twynam-street, Main-road, and Fitzgerald-street, guaranteed good building land. If dissatisfied after inspection, money returned. Terms, 10s deposit, balance 10s per month, at 5 per cent. per annum. Title, Torrens.
RANDWICK.—1 Allotment, facing Challis-street, 60 x 92, east of Randwick tram sheds, and adjoining Mr. Boaz's residence, 2 minutes from Centennial Park. Terms, £5 deposit, balance 20s per month, at 5 per cent.; or will subdivide to suit the purchasers. Title, Torrens.
BONDI.—1 Allotment, facing Park-parade, 40 x 100, near Bondi-road. Freehold.
WOOLLAHRA.—1 Allotment, 120 x 120, facing Edgecliff-road, corner of Stanley-street, between Queen and Wallis streets. Terms, 25 per cent. deposit, balance in four equal annual instalments at 5 per cent.; or will subdivide to suit purchasers. Abutting the above, one Allotment, 120 x 100, facing Chester-street. Freehold.
WOOLLAHRA.—3 Detached Double-fronted Villas, 31 x 92 each, facing Bathurst-street—GRANTHAM, CORA LYNN, and ANGLIA. Title, Torrens. Terms, 30 per cent. cash, balance at 5 per cent.; will sell separately.
WAVERLEY.—Detached Cottage, 81 Mill Hill-road. Freehold.
WAVERLEY.—1 Allotment, facing Denison-street, corner of Spring-street, 33.6 x 97. Freehold.
WAVERLEY.—1 Allotment, facing Denison-street, 40 x 97, adjoining Rush's Hotel. Freehold.

PHEGAN AND WALSH,

LICENSED GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, REAL ESTATE BROKERS, VALUATORS, and AGENTS.

KILLARA.

ON THE NORTH SHORE RAILWAY LINE, only 6 miles from Milson's Point. KILLARA CHASE ESTATE, only a FEW MINUTES' WALK FROM KILLARA and GORDON RAILWAY STATION.
33 CHOICE RESIDENTIAL SITES.

Auction Sale, on the Ground, NEXT SATURDAY, 1st October, at 3.30 p.m.

TERMS:—Only 10 per cent. Deposit, 15 per cent. in 3 months, balance 5 years at 5 per cent.
PLANS ON APPLICATION.

HUGH DUFF AND CO., AUCTIONEERS, 283 GEORGE-STREET; CHATSWOOD, and HORNSBY.

THIS DAY.
MOORE PARK, CITY.
65 DOWLING-STREET, and opposite MOORE PARK, close to CLEVELAND-STREET.
"THORNLEIGH." POSITIVE SALE.
Substantially-built FAMILY RESIDENCE, with balcony, tiled verandah, lookout on roof, and contains WIDE HALL, DRAWING and DINING ROOMS (folding doors), breakfast room, 7 BEDROOMS, kitchen (gas stove), bathroom, fitted with water-heater, washhouse, and every possible convenience.
LAND 24 x 100, nice garden, with dwarf wall and iron railing.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by public auction, at their SALEROOMS, 283 GEORGE-STREET, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.

ORDER OF SALE
of
SUBURBAN PROPERTIES
TO BE OFFERED AT THE ROOMS,
113 PITT-STREET,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11.30 a.m.:—

KAREMBURN (North Sydney), on the heights, close to electric tram, Rhodes-avenue.—HEATHFIELD, a detached Brick Cottage, attractive design, 4 large rooms, kitchen, hall, tiled verandah, washhouse, scullery, bathroom, gas, water, and all conveniences, land 50 x 148 to a lane.
ASHFIELD.—Deceased Estate.—Holborow-street, No. 48, a detached W.B. Cottage, containing 3 rooms and kitchen, land 50 x 116, Torrens title.
NORTH SYDNEY, West-street, only a few minutes from Ridge-street penny tram section.—A splendid Site, 32 feet by 132, being lot 10 Bell's Estate.
ASHFIELD, Milton-street North.—Lot 19, sec. 2, Claxby Estate, 20 feet by 88 feet 10 inches, Torrens title, easy terms.
WATERLOO.—Imperative Sale.—Only one minute from the Zetland tram terminus.—A weatherboard Building, containing 4 rooms, land 33 feet by 80 feet, freehold.
ALEXANDRIA.—To Boot Manufacturers and Others.—54 and 56 Kingsclear-road, a brick and weatherboard Building, used as a boot factory, with or without machinery, land 25ft by 90ft, Freehold.
CAMPSIE, Canterbury-road, convenient to Campsie or Canterbury station.—A modern Brick COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kitchen, stable, sheds, etc, city water and gas, land 204ft to Canterbury-road by 300ft along Una-street, and 208 feet to Perry-street, and at rear. Torrens. All drained and well fenced.

ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON.

ORDER OF SALE.

CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY.

DARLINGHURST.—Superior Residence, called LOUISVILLE, No. 73 DARLINGHURST-ROAD, close to top of William-street. (Executors' Sale.)
DITTO.—Large Block Land, Rosebank-lane, at rear of above, with two-story building thereon. (Executors' Sale.)
WOOLLOOMOOLOO.—Vacant Corner, Brougham-street and Harris-place.
SURRY HILLS.—W.B. Cottage, No. 253 Riley-street between Campbell and Reservoir streets).
DITTO.—Cottage, No. 63 Phelps-street, and Vacant Lot adjoining (between Bourke and Dowling streets).
PYRMONT.—House, No. 85 Harris-street, between Union and John streets. (Executors' Sale.)
POINT PIPER.—Water Frontage Site, Wolseley-road and Double Bay. (Executors' Sale.)
GLEBE.—House, No. 19 Pyrmont Bridge-road. (Executors' Sale.)
DITTO.—House, No. 15 Pyrmont Bridge-road. (Executors' Sale.)
DITTO.—Corner Allotment, Pyrmont Bridge-road and Broughton-street. (Executors' Sale.)
DITTO.—Dwelling, No. 13 Pyrmont Bridge-road, near tram, Glebe-road.
FOREST LODGE.—Three Houses and five Cottages, Nos. 67 to 81 Parramatta Old-road, and six Cottages, Nos. 1 to 6 in right-of-way off the latter. (Mortgagees' Sale.)
SOUTH ANNANDALE (Stanmore).—Det. Cottage, Corunna-road, few yards east Northumberland-road.
DITTO.—Two Semi-det. Cottages, Corunna-road (adjoining above), called Avonmore and Avondale.
STANMORE.—Corner Block Land, Addison-road and John-street, opp. Norwood Park.
NORTH ANNANDALE.—Shop and 14 Houses, called Trafalgar-terrace, Nos. 79 to 105 Booth-street, corner Trafalgar-street. Mortgagees' Sale.
NORMANHURST (Strathfield to Hornsby line).—Six Allotments, from 2rd 23per to 1rd 17per, fronting chain-wide road from station.
MOSMAN.—Lot, Military-road and Wolseley-road, part Bonnie View Estate.
CHATSWOOD.—Various Allotments, Baldry Estate, fronting Victoria-avenue, Baldry and Nicholson streets. Administrators' Sale.
WAVERLEY.—Vacant Lot, Hamilton-street, near Orange-street.
NORTH BOTANY.—Half-acre Land, Botany-road, portion of Lot 6, Block 12, Want's Sudbn. Executors' Sale.
ENFIELD.—Vacant Corner, George's River-road and Kembla street, close to Punchbowl-road.
LINDFIELD.—Block Land, 3ac 1rd 3per, Tryon-road, Govmt. Subdivision. Executors' Sale.
MARSFIELD.—12 Acres Orchard, Orangery, and Vineyard, and W.B. Cottage, Bridge-road.
WESTMEAD.—Allotments, Caroline-street, and close to railway platform. Executors' Sale.
BLACKTOWN.—Lots, Lytton Estate, Ireland's-avenue and Railway-parade. Executors' Sale.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (1128)

ON EASY TERMS.
BELMORE ALLOTMENTS.
The Balance of the Lots on the Anderson Estate.
FOR SALE BY AUCTION, at 3 p.m.,
NEXT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1.
LOTS 66 x 165 EACH—TORRENS.
FRONTAGES TO BURWOOD-ROAD AND CANTERBURY-ROAD.
ONLY £2 DEPOSIT AND £1 MONTHLY, etc.
RAINE AND HORNE, AUCTIONEERS, 88 PITT-ST., in Conjunction with ARTHUR RICKARD and CO., LTD., of 117 PITT-ST.
Plans from either Firm.

MAGNIFICENT FARMING, DAIRYING, AND GRAZING PROPERTY,
OVERTON,
NEAR MANILLA.
SALE BY AUCTION.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8.
AT M'NULTY'S ROYAL HOTEL, MANILLA.

A. WILSHIRE, in conjunction with A. C. VENESS, has received instructions from Mr. W. H. SMITH (agent for MATTHEW SMITH, Esq.), to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at M'Nulty's Royal Hotel, MANILLA, on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, at 3 o'clock sharp, the MAGNIFICENT PROPERTY,
Situated at Wongo Creek, near Manilla, and known as OVERTON, comprising:—
720 Acres Freehold.
260 Acres C.P.
1900 Acres C.L.
2880 Acres.

The above Estate is subdivided into 9 convenient paddocks, and contains 200 acres of Agricultural land, of which 400 acres are at present under crop. The soil is rich red and chocolate, and the variety which has obtained for Manilla its far-famed reputation as a wheat-producing centre. The Property is well watered, and contains necessary improvements, including a Dwelling, Large Grain Shed, Yards, etc.
TERMS.—Cash, or at option of Purchaser Half Cash; balance in 5 yearly instalments, carrying interest of 4½ per cent., payable half-yearly. Balance to be secured in the ordinary way.
Intending Purchasers wishing to inspect the Property will be driven from Manilla.
For further particulars, apply to the Auctioneers,
A. WILSHIRE, A. C. VENESS, Manilla.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, HOLDEN AT SYDNEY.
PRIOR v. GOULDING.
ON THURSDAY, the 29th day of September, 1904, at 11 a.m., unless the Warrant of Execution herein be previously satisfied, the Goods and Chattels of the abovenamed defendant, viz., Household Furniture, will be sold by public auction, at Russell-street, Watson's Bay. Dated this 28th day of September, 1904.
JOHN BISHOP, Bailiff.

IMPORTANT and UNRESERVED SALE of SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.
THIS DAY, AT 11,
at 88 Bridge-road, Camperdown (nr. Parramatta-road).
2 Handsome SIDEBOARDS, bevelled glass backs, OVERMANTEL, Leather Suite, Oleographs, Linoleums, B.M. BEDSTEADS, Cot, Combination, Drapings, Marble-top Washstands, Ware, Chests Drawers, Wardrobe, Glassware, Cutlery, Electroware, etc, etc.
MITCHELL AND CRANSTON, AUCTIONEERS.

BEECROFT LAND SALE.
ON THE GROUND AT 3.30 P.M.,
SATURDAY, 8th OCTOBER.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

CAMPSIE.—Beamish Est., No. 3.—Cheap Land, near sta., SAT., 15th OCT. Richardson, Wrench, Ltd.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.
To Parties Furnishing Extensively, Dealers, Piano Buyers, Poultry Buyers, Cow Buyers, and Others.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
11 a.m., at
THE BUNGALOW, ALT-ST, ASHFIELD,
will be sold, without the slightest Reserve,
THE WHOLE OF THE
SUPERIOR FURNISHINGS AND APPOINTMENTS
of the spacious cottage of
NINE ROOMS, HALL, AND OUTOFFICES,
situate close to Elizabeth-street, 4 min. station.

THE APPOINTMENTS of LARGE DINING HALL
FINE OLD 6ft PEDESTAL SIDEBOARD, LINOLEUMS
BOOKCASES, BOOKSHELVES, about 200 vols. BOOKS
SPLENDID PIANOFORTE, by celebrated makers, HUNDT and SOHN.
LOT PIANO MUSIC, BRONZE CANDELABRA, TIMEPIECE
ENGRAVINGS, DRAWINGS, OLEOS, DINING SUITE
LARGE TABLE, ELECTROPLATE, CUTLERY, CHINA.
THE FURNITURE OF DOUBLE DRAWING-ROOM
ELEGANT SUITE, CARPETS, LACE CURTAINS, BRIC-A-BRAC, CABINET, WHATNOT, etc.
MIRRORS, PICTURES, and OTHER APPOINTMENTS.
SITTING and BREAKFAST ROOM LOTS.
APPOINTMENTS OF 5 BEDROOMS,
which will suit all classes of buyers.
Handsome Bedsteads, Suites, Chests Drawers
Presses, and Capital General Lots.
VERANDAH and HALL EQUIPMENTS
Stands, Chairs, Clock, Blinds, Tables, Pot Plants, etc.
KITCHEN FURNISHINGS in GREAT VARIETY
Best Whitewood Dresser, Table, Utensils
GRAND EUREKA GAS STOVE, with HOOD, No. 410
GARDEN TOOLS, HOSE and FITTINGS, BARROW
ABOUT 30 HEAD GOOD POULTRY, also some young Ducklings.
Also, by permission of Mr. Parkinson,
A Grand Little COW, 12 quarts daily, perfectly quiet, suit gent.'s family.
STRONG CART, suit farmer, gardener, etc.
The auctioneers desire the special attendance of dealers and all who desire to purchase for private use, as every lot is for absolute sale. Mr. Parkinson giving up housekeeping for an extended term to give Mrs. Parkinson a thorough change to recruit her health.
As the property has changed hands, every lot must be removed on Day of Sale.
Inspection very early THIS MORNING, prior to sale at 11 sharp.
MESSRS. STRONGMAN and WATSON, FURNITURE and GENERAL AUCTIONEERS.
Offices and Salerooms, Burwood station.
Telephone Number, 200 Burwood.

IMPORTANT PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
TO GENTLEMEN REQUIRING HIGH-CLASS MODERN ART FURNITURE AND GENERAL APPOINTMENTS, SUPERB FULL UPRIGHT GRAND BONISCH PIANO, Etc.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.
AT ARUNDELVILLE, ANNANDALE,
JOHNSTON-STREET, right opp. Council-chambers.
Will be Sold by Public Auction, by Order of
ALDERMAN I. REGINALD COHEN.
The whole of the very beautiful Appointments and Requisites of the Residence, which will be found in faultless condition, and of most costly and tasteful character, and can be specially recommended to Gentry furnishing, city, suburban, or country residences, in most up-to-date style.
ROYAL AXMINSTER CARPETS and BEST LINOS. supplied by Beard, Watson, and David Jones and Co.
VERY CHARMING ROSEWOOD FURNISHINGS of Drawing-room, comprising BEAUTIFUL CABINET, SETTEE, and CHARMING CHAIRS, in best upholstery from David Jones and Co.
CARD TABLES, OVERMANTEL TO MATCH.
Exquisite Ornaments and Paintings, etc., etc.
BEST SOLID WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE, etc.
A MAGNIFICENT BRASS-M. BEDSTEAD, etc.
AXMINSTER CARPET SQUARE and NICE APPTS.
SOLID ASH SUITE of Second Bedroom, and BEST MADE KAURI FURNISHINGS of other Bedrooms. Everything O.K.
SINGLE and ¾ BEDSTEADS, in lovely order.
INCANDESCENTS THROUGHOUT HOUSE.
HANNAM BATH HEATER FOR GAS, perfect order.
SEVERAL VOLS. SUPERIOR BOOKS, etc.
FIRST-CLASS KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY LOTS.
MOWERS, HOSE, 23 HEAD GOOD FOWLS.
CABINETMAKING TOOLS, GARDEN DO., BARROW.
A VERY SUPERIOR LOT THROUGHOUT.
The Auctioneers specially request the attendance of Gentry requiring the most approved style of modern furnishings, and every lot is to be sold, Mr. Cohen giving up house, and leaving for a change, owing to ill-health.
Inspection This Afternoon from 2 o'clock.
Descriptive Catalogues will be posted free to any address on application to the Auctioneers, or may be obtained at Arundelville from the Housekeeper and Servant in charge.
MESSRS. STRONGMAN and WATSON, FINE ART AND FURNITURE SALESMEN, GENERAL AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.
Telephone No., 200 Burwood.

WOOLLAHRA.
IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE,
by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
of
HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE, PIANOS, AND EFFECTS.
On the Premises,
85 Moncur-street, near Queen-street, Woollahra.
Drawing, Dining, Hall, Single and Double Bedroom Appointments.
Two Beautiful Pianofortes,
An Upright Grand, with full metallic frame, underdamper, check action, trichord, without a blemish, in handsome ebonised case, with heavy double sconces, the world-famed Rosener.
Also
A Massive Boudoir Grand,
having a solid iron frame, overstrung, trichord, a superb instrument, costing originally £150, in charming Rosewood Case, heavily mounted and inlaid with solid brass, having been specially selected for the musical profession, from the famous French Pleyel Factory, and is almost new.
FOR UNRESERVED SALE.
Bamboo and Plush Drawing SUITE
Carpets and Linoleums
O'mantels, Pictures, Ornaments
MASSIVE BLACK and GOLD PIERGLASS, hand-painted panel mountings
Carved Canopy Top SIDEBOARD, Bev. Mirrors, in Walnut
8 x 4 EXTENSION DINING TABLE, PATENT SCREWS.
SINGER IMPROVED SEWING MACHINE.
TABLE PLATE and CUTLERY, CUT GLASS and CHINA WARE.
Heavy 4ft 6in HALL STAND, with Rouge Marble and Mirror Back.
The several Bedrooms are well appointed throughout, including
a very Superior Beaconsfield SUITE, fitted with Drawers, Millinery Cupboards, Carved Panels, and Bev. Mirrors, Toilets, with Rouge Marble, en suite.
OTHER CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED SUITES.
Combinations, with Bev. Mirrors, 6 to 9 Drawers, Toilet Pairs, Toiletware, etc.
SINGLE, THREE-QUARTER, and DOUBLE, heavily Brass-mounted Half-tester and French BEDSTEADS, complete with best raised end Wires Kapok Sets.
CURTAINS, BLANKETS, SHEETS, QUILTS, and GENERAL HOUSEHOLD LINEN.
Also,
FIRST-CLASS 2-ROLLER MANGLE.
410 ENAMELLED GAS STOVE.
CLEAR PINE DRESSER, TABLES, etc.

E. HERDEN BRODRIBB, under instruction from Mrs. Maclellan, will sell the whole of the Superior Furnishings, as above, Absolutely Without Reserve, to the highest bidder.
On view TO-MORROW MORNING, day of sale, from 9 o'clock.

NORTH SYDNEY, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 29th Sept., at 11 o'clock, at the Auction Rooms, 78 Walker-st., HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Effects, removed to the Rooms for convenience of sale, comprising:—Handsome Piano, Italian wal. case, by Bridenstein, gd. instrument; handsome Italian all-brass Bedstead; Draw. Din., and Bedrm. Furnishings; Exten. Din. Tables, Sideboards, Chiffoniers, Austrian, Wicker, and other Chairs, Couches, Easy Chairs, Single, ¾, and Double ¾-Tester and 4-post Bedsteads and Bedding, M.T. Washstands and Ware, Comb. and other Chests of Drawers, Overmantels, Toilet Mirrors, Bedrm. Suites, Dressers, Stoves, Quantity of Blankets and H'hold Drapery, Pictures, Ornaments, Wall Mirrors, Crockery, China, Cutlery, Glassware, Kit. and Laundry Utensils, about 1000 Roofing Tiles, also Jap. Curios, Albums, etc., etc.
CLARKE and SOLOMONS, Aucts., 78 Walker-st., N.S., have rec. instruc. sell above. Tms. cash, no Reserve.

BONDI JUNCTION.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER, at eleven o'clock a.m.
On the Premises,
VIKING,
GROSVENOR-STREET, BONDI JUNCTION.
Under instructions from
Mrs. L. A. MURPHY,
in consequence of having purchased a large Boarding Establishment in Darlinghurst.
The whole of her
SUPERIOR FURNITURE
and
HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,
including
GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.
DINING and DRAWING ROOM APPOINTMENTS.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, by ROSENER.
And the
CONTENTS OF SEVERAL BEDROOMS.
Etc., Etc., Etc.
Also
GENT.'S BICYCLE, "WHITE FLYER."
*** ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, Auctioneers, 128-130 Pitt-street (near King-street), have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. Murphy to Sell by Auction, at her residence, as above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

IN A DECEASED ESTATE,
BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY,
29th SEPTEMBER, at 2.30 O'CLOCK in the afternoon.
IMPERATIVE SALE BY AUCTION.
AT THE ROOMS OF
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE
128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.
VALUABLE LAW LIBRARY
of
PRACTICAL TEXT BOOKS AND REPORTS,
including
THE ENGLISH REPORTS REPRINTED.
40 vols., with subscriber's Right to Continue
The Revised Reports; N.S.W. Weekly Notes (complete), N.S.W. Law Reports, 21 Vols., etc, etc.
***CATALOGUES NOW READY, ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, AUCTIONEERS, WILL SELL BY AUCTION, AT THE ROOMS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, as above.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,
30th SEPTEMBER, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.
IMPERATIVE SALE BY AUCTION
at
THE AUCTION ROOMS,
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.
THE FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS
of
A SEVEN-ROOMED RESIDENCE.
*** REMOVED FROM THE STORES OF MESSRS. SUTTON and CO. for Convenience of Sale.
CARL HIRSCH PIANOFORTE,
in Walnut Case; a very fine Instrument, Practically New.
And
AN EXTENSIVE ASSORTMENT
of
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JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE will Sell by Auction, at THEIR ROOMS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street, as above.

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THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
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The General and Superior Household Furnishings and Effects of a large Boarding Establishment, removed to the rooms for convenience of sale, comprising
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LAUNDRY and KITCHEN REQUISITES, and a large quantity of USEFUL SUNDRIES.
VINCENT H. KELSON, AUCTIONEER, has received instructions from the various Vendors to conduct this Important Sale.
Goods on View Prior to Sale.

THIS DAY,
THURSDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER,
At the City Mart, 8 Spring-street, at 12 o'clock,
BY ORDER OF MESSRS. THOMPSON, FRASER, RAMSAY PROPRIETARY, LIMITED.
620 PACKAGES CEYLON TEA,
EX LOMBARD AND INDIA.
Also,
257 PACKAGES INDIAN TEA.
FRASER, UTHER, AND CO. have received instructions to sell by auction the above.

THIS DAY, AT 11 o'clock.
MIDDLETON and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, at No. 282 Oxford-street, Paddington, opp. Fire Station, the Up-to-date Stock of a Furniture Dealer, mostly new, and all in good order. Handsome carved Sideboards, Bevelled Glass Wardrobes, Toilet Pairs, Suites, Single and Double Bedsteads, New Bedding, Tables, Chairs, Overmantels, Chests of Drawers, Crockery, Pictures, Ornaments, etc.
NO RESERVE.
THIS DAY, AT 3 O'CLOCK.
MIDDLETON and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, at No. 170 George-street West, near Shepherd-street,
Handsome well-toned Walnut Piano, with underdamper (Paling)
Good English Piano, perfectly sound
Two Fine Oil Paintings, in massive frames, "The Vine Dresser" and "The Fruit Seller"
3 Fine Engravings, Rattan Chairs, Tapestry and Leather Suites, Beaconsfield Wardrobe, Bedsteads, Bedding, Combination Chests, Walnut Overmantel, Dining-room and Kitchen Furniture, Crockery, Carpet, Oilcloth, etc.
NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY (Thursday), at 2 o'c. Quantity of Furn., I. Chest, Bed., T., Chs., Crock., Clothg., Boots, etc.
H. LEVY will sell by auction at 135 Regent-street, No Reserve.
To CLOTHING BUYERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS. TO-MOR., FRIDAY, Sept. 30, at ½-p. 10 o'clock. Stock of a Dealer, Men's Clothing, Suits, Shirts, Trousers, Coats, Vests, Boots, Macintoshes, Overcoats, Jewellery, Watches, Clocks, Spectacles, all kinds of Tools; also Furniture and Effects.
H. LEVY has received instructions to sell by auction at 192½ Elizabeth-street, near Campbell-street.
The above. Totally unreserved.

BEECROFT LAND SALE.
ON THE GROUND AT 3.30 P.M.,
SATURDAY, 8th OCTOBER.
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THIS DAY,
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at 11 o'clock.
POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE
BY AUCTION,
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ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.
WITH ALL FAULTS,
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2 cs. SUPER PURE INDIGO SERGES, containing 25 pieces
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2 CASES CRIMEAN SHIRTINGS, containing 26 pieces.
Ex CALEDONIEN.
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4 CASKS CREAM TARTAR, each 5cwt.
S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY have been instructed to SELL the above, WITHOUT RESERVE AT THE MART, 284 GEORGE-STREET, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

THIS DAY, 29th SEPTEMBER, 1904,
at 11.30 a.m.
AT THE ROOMS, 556 GEORGE-STREET
(opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral),
UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE
of
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS,
consisting of
HANDSOME SIDEBOARD AND SMALL SIDEBOARD
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Crockery, House Linen, Kitchen Utensils.
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ON VIEW AT THE ROOMS.
M. DE LISSA AND CO. will sell as above.

THIS DAY, SEPTEMBER 29th, at 11 a.m., at M'EWAN'S CAFE, IMPERIAL ARCADE (Basement).
10 Restaurant Tables, Aust. Chairs
LARGE COOKING RANGES, Zinc Boiler
Counter, Partitions, Piping, Tubs
Large Quantity of Linoleum
Cruets, Glass Jugs, and Sundries.
Also
LARGE COUNTER and BAR SHELVING.
A. G. JENKINS has been instructed by Mr. G. M'Ewan, who has transferred his Restaurant Business to the basement at Her Majesty's Theatre, to sell as above, THIS MORNING.

THIS DAY, SEPT. 29, at 2.15 p.m.,
at RAILWAY-PARADE, MORTDALE.
UNDER IMPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Effects.
A. G. JENKINS will sell as above, THIS AFTERNOON.

JAMES LEAN will sell by auction THIS DAY, at 2.30, at 73 Engine-street, Haymarket,
Superior Household Furniture of every description, Plateglass Sideboards, High-arm Singer Machine, Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Bedding, all sizes, large quantity of sundries. No Res.

EVANS and CO.
will Sell by Auction, at 2.30,
Household Furniture and Effects.
Brown-street, St. Peters.

INGLIS' BAZAAR, THIS DAY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, Harness. And, at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description. Specially advertised. Telephone, 1331.

WAGGON TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. F. Jordan to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
Black Mare, staunch and reliable; Light Waggon, with tilt, and Harness, in tip-top condition.

HOODED TRAY SULKY TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., Creamy Mare, Hooded Tray Sulky, and S.M. Harness, in good order, making a first-class lot.

LADY'S PARK PHAETON TURNOUT.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., Stylish Black Mare, Lady's Hooded Park Phaeton, and Harness.

PONY, SULKY LOT, AND TRAY BUGGY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., Creamy Pony Gelding, 13.2 (Ace of Clubs brand), reliable in saddle and harness; Sulky and S.M. Harness; also S.S. Tray Buggy, in good repair.

3 DRAUGHT HORSES FROM BAULKHAM HILLS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. C. Wilcox, Baulkham Hills, to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
3 Draught Geldings, all good workers, being sold as owner has finished his ploughing and has no further use for them.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Moroney, Coolangatta, to sell by auction, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 12 o'clock,
B f, 3 yrs., by Churchill from Torchlight
Br c, 2 yrs. (full brother to Forest Light and Church Light), by Churchill from a Waa-light mare.
Both broken to saddle and untried.

TO MEMBERS OF HUNTING CLUBS AND OTHERS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Moroney, Coolangatta, to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Beautiful Dark Brown Cob, 5yrs., a splendid galloper and jumper; was never beaten in a Show Ring as a Lady's or Gent.'s Hackney.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, 827 George street, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 sharp,
On Account of Messrs. M'INTOSH BROS, D. BUFFIER, and other Owners,
80 First-class MILCH COWS, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter districts.

JERSEY COW, SPRINGING.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mrs. J. Middleton to sell by auction, at their Railway Saleyards, THIS DAY, at 3.30 p.m.,
The above.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.
CAMPERDOWN SALEYARDS.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 2 P.M.
SIXTY HEAD.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, as above,
On Account Messrs. MANCHEE BROS., BINNEGUY,
10 FIRST-CLASS, WELL-BRED HORSES, principally by Lorimer, by Goldsborough, comprising Upstanding Light Harness Horses and Hackneys, 1 Heavy Draught Filly, and 1 Gelding by ALBEMARLE, a fast galloper, all in first-class condition; broken and unbroken.
On Account Mr. SAML. M'MINN, LISMORE.
25 Really Good Northern River HORSES, comprising Heavy and Medium Draughts and Upstanding, Good-quality Light Harness Horses, all in splendid condition, 4 to 6 yrs old; broken and unbroken.
On Account of Mr. P. RYAN, CASHEL, PILLIGA.
15 Good Sorts of Light Harness and Saddle HORSES, all the right ages, in splendid condition for work; broken and unbroken.
On Account MANAGER MIDKIN STATION, MOREE.
10 UPSTANDING LIGHT HORSES, all Hackney, 'Bus, and Cab Sorts, 4 to 6 yrs old, in good condition, broken.

HIGH-CLASS HACKNEY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. R. M. Hilder to sell by auction, TO-MORROW, at 11.30 a.m.,
Upstanding Brown Gelding, 5yrs, 16.2, broken to saddle only; a splendid hack, and should make a good jumper.

SALES BY AUCTION will be held TO-DAY by—The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency, Co., Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., as under:—At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, HAIR, HORNS, etc., at 10 a.m.; TALLOW, at 2.30 p.m.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY will sell, THIS DAY, at the Wool Salerooms, Macquarie-place, at 10.30, Hair, Horns, and Bones
And at 2.30 o'clock, Tallow.

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CHAPTER XVIII.
IN THE "TIGER'S DEN."

While all these plans were being hurried forward for his release, Gerard took his imprisonment very philosophically. There was but one circumstance which caused him uneasiness—the doubt whether Dubois could have had time before he was placed under arrest to pass on the instructions he had given him.

But he had no serious fear. If Dubois had been able to set things in motion there would soon be some effort on foot to secure his liberty; while if not, the worst could only be that he himself would be driven to announce his real rank to the Governor.

He was indeed more than half disposed to regret having maintained silence at the moment of arrest. He had measured the lengths to which the Governor was prepared to go; and the brutal command to cut him down if he resisted was one not to be forgotten. That and the indignity to which he, Bourbon's son, had been subjected by this tyrant should be paid for heavily.

He had a recompense, however. Gabrielle had responded nobly to the test he had made. She loved him. He was sure of her now. And with that as a consolation to sustain him, the hours of his retirement passed lightly.

When his gaolers entered and led him from the cell in which he had first been placed to one in which stood the instruments of torture, he regretted no longer that he had not avowed his identity.

Rumours of the Governor's savage treatment of his prisoners had reached him, garnished with many a horrible story of torture and violence. He had now the evidence of this before his own eyes; perhaps to be threatened even against himself; and these things he might never have been able to prove had he declared himself earlier.

That they were there to intimidate him he was soon to know, for a warder entered and began to make them ready for use.

Gerard watched him curiously from the spot where he sat bound, and at length broke silence.

"You ply a strange trade, my friend," he said.

"Prisoners must be silent," answered the man. It was Pauline's father, Pierre, who had received orders from de Proballe in the Duke's name to have the ghastly instruments in readiness, and to do the work before the prisoner's eyes.

"Silence, too, eh? Is this another of your Governor's pleasant methods of hospitality?"

"I tell you to be silent," replied Pierre gruffly. He had been both troubled and alarmed at the command which his daughter had brought from the Duchess. Fully prepared to do her bidding, he was nevertheless anxious so to do it as to prevent suspicion falling on himself. To him the event might mean life or death; and however strong the Duchess's intentions might be to shield him in the event of discovery, she might lack the power, should the Governor get proof of his treachery.

"So you are the Governor's torturer," said Gerard next. "I don't envy you your trade."

"A man must live," returned Pierre.

"A pretext for villainy and cruelty as long as the world has been a world, I suppose. Yet were I a lusty fellow like you, I'd find some honester use for my muscles than to maim my fellow men and drag their joints asunder, Master Torturer."

"I'm no torturer," said Pierre. "I am the warder."

"Warder only, eh? You get the torture ready and stand aside for someone with a tougher stomach to do the mangling. Yet by the look of your face, I think I'm wronging you. Those eyes of yours have a light in them that speaks of a better nature than your words imply."

"I have to obey my orders. You are a soldier, they say, and should know that. Why are you placed here?"

"That's a question I could better put to you. To watch you set those instruments running smoothly for my poor bones, maybe."

"'Tis a sight many a brave man has quailed at seeing. But I mean, what is your crime; what have you done?"

"As much as many of the Governor's prisoners probably; that is, nothing."

"Then these are to find the offence."

Gerard laughed lightly.

"You've a pleasant wit, warder. What's your name?"

"Pierre Delmont."

"And so you think, Pierre, that I am to be put in the embrace of some one of those pretty toys of yours in order to induce me to confess to something I haven't done? And I suppose you speak after some experience?"

"I have counselled many a man to confess to some light crime rather than face these: and more than one has scoffed at my words to his after sorrow."

"Then you are here to frighten me with thoughts of the torture."

"You are a brave man, I am told: yet many a man brave enough on the field of battle has made his first acquaintance with fear in this cell. God forgive the cruelty of it!"

"I am in no danger, Pierre."

"Yet not for any reason you know of."

"Surely that sentence has a double sound."

Pierre left his work, crossed toward Gerard, and answered in a low tone:—

"It means what I did not propose to tell you yet—that I am your friend at the bidding of others. We shall set you free; you and the other prisoner, the monk. My work here I must do: otherwise I might be suspected; and I meant to hold my tongue until it profited to speak."

"Who are those others?"

"Someone is coming. Silence," said Pierre hastily, as he withdrew to the other end of the cell and busied himself again with his gruesome task.

Presently a knock sounded on the door, and Pierre let drop the irons he held with a clanking sound. The knock was repeated; and he opened the door.

The Governor and de Proballe entered.

"Why did you keep me waiting?" demanded the former, angrily.

"I was working yonder, my lord, and did not hear you."

"I heard the clanking of irons," said de Proballe. "I ordered him to have all in readiness."

Pierre went back to his work, and the two stood looking down hard at Gerard.

"You can see now what comes of defying the Governor and playing me false, M. Gerard de Cobalt," said de Proballe, with an evil smile. "And this is only the beginning; unless you are in another mood."

"It is worthy of the Baron de Proballe to gloat over a helpless man," answered Gerard, contemptuously.

"Exactly, helpless is just the right word, prisoner."

"The Duke of Rochelle has surely some other motive in coming here than to allow this carrion to insult me," said Gerard, turning to the Governor.

The Governor smiled at de Proballe's start of anger

"I have come to you with a merciful object."

"I seek no mercy at your hands, monsieur. If you have come to do tardy justice it will suffice for me, for you will order the gaoler there to unbind my hands and set me free."

"Not so fast, prisoner, not so fast," cried de Proballe.

"I addressed you, monsieur," said Gerard to the Governor.

"What would it be but mercy that should impel me to pardon the murderer, Gerard de Cobalt?"

"I am no murderer, neither am I M. de Cobalt."

"Admit that you are he and no harm shall come to you. I will keep my word and pardon you for the affair at Cambrai."

Gerard paused. The turn in things surprised him; and he could not see the motive of it. The Governor mistook his silence for hesitation.

"Write the admission that you are Gerard de Cobalt and guilty of that crime, and on my oath you shall go from Morvaix a free man."

"Why?"

"It is not for you to question. But I gave my word before you came, and I will keep it even now."

"Why should I confess to a crime I never committed and blacken—ah, I think I see. You would show the confession to Mademoiselle de Malincourt. Is that the motive for this unexpected mercy, as you term it? I might have guessed it."

"Your answer?"

"I would sooner cut my hand off than write the lie."

"It is well that I told Pierre to be prepared," said de Proballe. "We know that you are Gerard de Cobalt, and that you devised the scheme of that letter to make us doubt you when you saw the danger in which you stood. But we have means at hand that will make you speak."

"Who, then, do you say you are?" asked the Governor.

"For what crime am I made a prisoner and threatened with the torture?"

"Prisoners are to answer, not question."

(To be continued.)

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LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

EQUITY COURT.
(Before Mr. Justice Walker.)
AN ADJOURNMENT.
RE A. SHADLER, LTD.

This matter was adjourned, by consent, to Tuesday, October 11. Mr. Somers (of Messrs. Allen, Allen, and Hemsley) appeared for the official liquidator, and Mr. R. H. L. Innes for one of the creditors.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
CREDITORS' PETITION.

Julia Ann Buttel, Louis Uhde, and James Victor Freeman versus Austin C. Clark, of the Lyceum Theatre, theatre employee. Petition to be heard October 4.

LAND APPEAL COURT.
(Before the President, Mr. H. A. G. Curry, and Commissioners C. Brandis and W. Houston.)

Mr. Hanbury Davies appeared for the Crown.

Re appeal by W. H. Cordeaux and S. R. Dobbie against the decision of the Land Board in respect of their application for appraisement of conditional purchases Nos. 1882-10, Moss Vale. The area applied to be appraised in this case was 4759½ acres. The board only appraised 1890¼ acres of this amount, holding that that area, together with 738¼ acres of land already appraised under the Act of 1899, in all 2629¼ acres, was sufficient for home maintenance. Against that decision the appeal was lodged. Mr. Cordeaux appeared in person. The appeal was sustained on the first ground, and the board was directed to rehear the application, and appraise the area of 927 acres referred to in their finding as an addition to the 1890¼ acres they had already appraised.

Re F. D. Littlewood's appeal against the allotment of reduced area in satisfaction of his additional homestead selection application No. 1904-30, Parkes. Littlewood, who is the holder of a homestead selection of 1100 acres, applied for an additional homestead selection of 1460 acres, but the board allotted him 350 acres. This Littlewood appealed against as being insufficient. Mr. Mason appeared for appellant, and Mr. Stewart, agent, for George Lewis Hartin. In order that the Court might fully understand the merits of Littlewood's appeal, the case was remitted back to the board to obtain the fullest evidence on the question as to what area in the locality was required for the applicant to maintain his home thereon in average seasons and circumstances, and such evidence taken was to be forwarded to the Court.

Re appeal by A. Amos against the recommendation of the Land Board in respect to his application for a lease within preferential occupation license of Tulloona holding No. 414a, Central Division. The application was made under section 18 of the Crown Lands Amendment Act of 1903. The Court reserved its decision.

Re appeal by M. F. McKeon against the disallowance of his additional conditional lease application No. 1904-50, Tamworth. Mr. Pike appeared for appellant, and Mr. Canaway for the respondents, Hayward and Short. The Court reserved its decision.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.
(Before Mr. Justice Simpson and a jury of 12.)

The Solicitor-General (Mr. Hugh Pollock) prosecuted for the Crown.

ALLEGED MANSLAUGHTER.
DR. F. W. MARSHALL ON TRIAL.
HIS HONOR'S SUMMING UP.

The trial was continued of Dr. Frederick William Marshall, who had pleaded not guilty to a charge that he did at Sydney, on August 27 last, feloniously slay Amelia Lynch, a single woman, 23 years of age. Mr. Gannon and Mr. P. K. White, instructed by Mr. J. B. Frawley, defended accused.

His Honor occupied nearly two hours in summing up. He said that if they were satisfied beyond such doubt as reasonable men ought to entertain that prisoner, by gross neglect, carelessness, or ignorance, caused the death of Amelia Lynch, it was their duty to convict him of manslaughter; but unless they were so satisfied it was equally their duty to acquit. He was sorry that the term "butchering," which was a nasty term, had been used by Mr. Gannon, and adopted by the Solicitor-General. Mr. Pollock said affirmatively that the girl had been butchered. It was their duty to say whether the girl had met her death at the hands of the prisoner, who could not be convicted unless an act of omission or commission on his part caused her death. Although she might have died from septic peritonitis or any other cause—no one could say how—if prisoner had hastened her death he must be taken to have caused it. But that ought to be made out to the jury's satisfaction, and their common sense would guide them in arriving at a decision. Were they satisfied that the prisoner caused the perforation? That was the first point, and if he did not cause the perforation the Crown case fell to the ground. If it was caused by the prisoner by gross neglect, carelessness, or ignorance he should be convicted. If they convicted he would like them to say whether it was because prisoner caused the perforation or because he was guilty of the omission in not sending for assistance, or in not having the girl sent to a hospital. He asked the jury to consider what evidence there was at all that prisoner caused the perforation. If he caused it and did not know, he must have been either drunk or mad, and there was no evidence or even a suggestion of that. He (his Honor) had been very much troubled by the evidence of Dr. Palmer, who said that the girl would probably have died from septic peritonitis, and who was to say that it had been hastened by the prisoner? All the doctors said that the perforation had hastened death. They had to consider whether of necessity it must have hastened the death of the girl to have a perforation like that when she was in a dying state. If it had hastened her death by even half an hour it would be manslaughter. This was a case of circumstantial evidence, as nobody saw prisoner use the instrument, and the jury should not convict unless the circumstances were all consistent with the guilt of the prisoner.

The jury retired at 11.50 a.m. At 1.55 p.m. they returned, and at their request his Honor read out the evidence of Nurse Mayne and Elizabeth Pound.

In answer to questions from jurymen Nurse Mayne, who was recalled, said that she was in and out of the room on several occasions when Dr. Marshall was attending the girl, probably for about five minutes at a time, in order to get hot water, towels, etc. When she left the room there were only the doctor and the girl in it. When she returned on each occasion she noticed nothing unusual in the girl's condition, no exhaustion, and no indications of pain.

Elizabeth Pound was also recalled. She stated that she let Dr. Marshall into the house on the Thursday, but she was not in the room with him and the girl. He was there about three or four minutes. About 15 minutes after he had gone she went in, and the girl did not seem weak or exhausted.

The jury retired again at 2.35 p.m.

The jury at 4.55 p.m. sent a note into his Honor for further direction.

His Honor, having called the jury in, said that in respect to the question asked, he could only repeat what he had said to them before. Unless they were satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that the prisoner made the perforation and so hastened the death of the girl there was an end to the case, so far as any act of commission was concerned. Then they would have to consider further what the Solicitor-General relied upon as an act of omission, that was, not taking advice or not having the young woman taken to the hospital. That was put before them as the second act of negligence, but that question need only arise if they were satisfied the prisoner made the perforation. The case for the Crown all hinged on the perforation.

The foreman: I am afraid I cannot hold out any hope of a unanimous verdict.

His Honor directed the jury to retire again to consider their verdict.

At 6.15 p.m., as there was no probability of the jury agreeing, they were locked up for the night.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT.

Charles Smith, a middle-aged man, following the occupation of a cabman, was arraigned on a charge that he did at Sydney on July 23 last criminally assault Elly Marie Dolly Leahy. Accused, who pleaded not guilty, was defended by Mr. P. K. White, instructed by Mr. H. A. Moss.

The salient facts of the case were published at the time of the police court proceedings. The woman, who was married last February, was driven in a cab late at night in the direction of Moore Park, where she alleged the offence was committed.

The woman was under cross-examination by Mr. White when the Court, at 6.15 p.m., adjourned until the following morning.

METROPOLITAN QUARTER SESSIONS.
(Before Judge Murray and juries.)

Mr. Herbert Harris was Crown Prosecutor.

HEAVY ASSURANCE SOCIETY EMBEZZLEMENT.
WHARF SENTENCED TO THREE YEARS IN GAOL.

Montefiore Joseph Wharf, who had pleaded guilty to a charge that on July 15 last, at Sydney, he then being a servant to the Australian Widows' Fund Life Assurance Society, did embezzle the sum of £1,007 4s, the funds of the society, was brought up for sentence.

His Honor, addressing prisoner, said that he had been clever enough to embezzle this large sum of money in the course of a few months without being detected. It might have been that prisoner was driven in his utter folly to put more money on racehorses in the hope of regaining what had been lost. His Honor was glad that no one had suggested that the first offenders' provisions of the Crimes Act should be extended. A sentence of 10 years penal servitude for such an offence might be passed. Under the circumstances, however, leniency would be shown, and a sentence as light as possible consistent with the administration of justice imposed. His Honor sentenced prisoner to three years' imprisonment with hard labour.

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

Charles Jeffries, John Williams, and George Crotty were convicted of breaking and entering the dwelling-house of Robert Black at Marrickville on August 17, and stealing therein four gold brooches. It appeared that the trio drove up to the place, the occupants away at the time, in a rabbit cart, and subsequently the articles were missed. Prisoners were remanded for sentence.

Richard Burns was found guilty of breaking and entering the dwelling-house of William A. Dettman, at Arncliffe, on September 3, and stealing therein various articles of jewellery and the sum of £2 2s. He was remanded for sentence.

The same prisoner was later in the day charged with having on September 4, at Sydney, violently assaulted Edward Murphy in Campbell-street, and robbed him of 5s. The jury, however, acquitted him.

LAW NOTICES.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.

SUPREME COURT.

Prothonotary's Office.—In Vice-Admiralty.—Before the Registrar.—Currie and others v the Mildura, 10 a.m. Before the Prothonotary.—Betts v Connop, 11 a.m. Before the Chief Clerk.—Re Anderson, ex parte Ah Nam, 10.30 a.m.; Dalley v Dalley, 12 noon.
In Equity.—Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Re trusts of D. Johnston and others, to settle minutes of order. At 11.30 a.m.: Re T. C. Graham, to settle minutes of order. At 12 noon: Hudson v Walker, to settle list of documents on appeal to High Court.
Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Deputy Registrar (to pass accounts).—Thomas Leona, 10.30; Maria Fryer, 11; Thomas S. Hall, 11.15; Margaret Lees, 11.45; Norman F. Giblin, 12.
Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 11 a.m.: Motion for release: Meyer Mandel. Certificate applications: Marks Golomb, John Seymour Thompson, Charles Higgins, Charles Howe Bisaker, Hugh Johnston (for judgment), Henry Tennent Donaldson. Single meetings: Walter Goddard, John Davis, James Arthur Hobson, Arthur Frederic Beaumont, John Connolly. Public examinations: R. D. Stitt and J. W. Murray, Adolph Alexander, Henry Gregory Ovens. Examination under sec. 30: Henry Gregory Ovens. Confirmations of accounts and plans: applications for extensions of time for filing accounts and plans.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.
Margaret Ann Woods, murder.
Note.—The jurors summoned for to-day need not attend until noon.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.
Annie Lloyd and Alice Spencer, larceny; Edwin Howell, false pretences; Richard George Evans, forgery and uttering; Henry Francis Oliver, larceny.

CORONER'S COURT.

THE EVELEIGH RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

The City Coroner held an inquest yesterday morning on the body of John George Saunders, who was killed on the railway line at Eveleigh sheds on Tuesday. George Crossman, who was driving the engine by which deceased was knocked down, stated that Saunders was about 30 yards ahead when he was first sighted. The whistle was blown twice, and witness also shouted, but deceased walked right into the engine without looking up. He was carried along about 20 yards after being struck. Deceased was walking in the middle of the track, which was customary with the employees, but not necessary. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

LIFT ACCIDENT.

Mr. T. R. Icely, J.P., held an inquiry yesterday into the cause of death of Alfred George Christian, aged 22, who died from the effects of a lift accident on the 21st inst. Deceased was an employee in M'Murtrie's boot factory. It was stated in evidence that he was at the door of the lift, looking into the well, when the cage, coming down, struck him on the head. A finding of accidental death was recorded.

SUICIDE OF A CHINAMAN.

The City Coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of Lee Tin, who was found hanging by the neck from the balustrade of a staircase in a house in Seale's-place, Goulburn-street, on Tuesday. A verdict of suicide was returned.

THE RUSHCUTTER BAY FATALITY.

The fatality which occurred at Rushcutter Bay on Tuesday, when a boy named Edward John Goodyear was drowned, was inquired into by the City Coroner yesterday. A witness named David John Graham stated that the water in the channel down which the boy was carried was running at about 12 or 15 miles an hour. There was nothing to stop anyone from being washed out into the waters of the bay if they were caught in it, and, besides, the sewer was constructed of smooth cement, and was very slimy. A finding of accidental drowning was recorded.

DEATH FROM OPIUM POISON.

The death of Herbert William Wilson, who was found dead in bed in a house in Harrington-street on the 20th inst, was the subject of an inquest by the City Coroner yesterday. The Government Medical Analyst, who examined the stomach of the deceased, stated that he found in it considerable traces of morphine. Dr. Sheldon thought that deceased might have taken opium to relieve pain, which might have been caused by slices of onions found in the stomach. A verdict was returned that death was caused by opium-poisoning self-administered, but whether taken with intent to put an end to life could not be adduced from the evidence.

POLICE COURTS.

STEALING SHIP'S STORES.

At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., Customs Officer Donohoe proceeded against John Desborough and Alfred Austin, seamen, upon a charge of having unlawfully moved from the steamer Everton Grange three hams that were subject to Customs control, without authority. Mr. Robison, of the Crown Law office, who appeared to prosecute, stated that the accused were employed on the steamship Everton Grange. A patrol officer, at about 8 p.m. on Monday, was walking along the quay at Woolloomooloo when he saw the accused with the hams in their possession. In answer to the officer they said that they were not aware that the hams were subject to duty. Inquiries showed that the hams had been taken from the steamer. Both of the accused pleaded guilty, and each was fined £5 and costs, or in default 14 days' imprisonment.

Desborough was then charged with having embezzled two hams, of the value of £1, a portion of the ship's stores. Captain E. Maxwell Brown gave the accused a good character, and thought that he had been led astray by his companion. Accused was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment. Accused Austin, the cook of the vessel, was then charged with stealing one ham, of the value of 10s. Accused denied the theft, saying that he had bought the ham at Melbourne. He was however sentenced to eight weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Grace Isabella Smith, 33, a married woman, was charged before Mr. Wilshire, S.M., yesterday, at the Water Police Court, with stealing 10 double sheets, 20 towels, two tablecloths, 12 serviettes, three double quilts, six sideboard cloths, six fancy teacloths, eight pillow-cases, four mats, six teatowels, two roller-towels, 28 kitchen towels, and other articles, valued at £45, between March 1 and July 27, 1904, the property of Mary Thom. After hearing evidence the accused was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions, to be held at Darlinghurst on October 31. Bail was not applied for.

BREACH OF THE LIQUOR ACT.

In the Summons Division of the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., Sub-inspector M'Donough proceeded against Amy Stewart, licensee of the Evening Star Hotel, Crown-street, upon an information alleging that on Sunday, September 18, she sold liquor contrary to the provisions of the Act. Defendant was fined £3 and costs amounting to 5s 6d, or in default one month's imprisonment.

CRUELTY TO A HORSE.

Before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., yesterday, in the Summons Division of the Water Police Court, inspector Sherwood proceeded against Ah Hoy upon an information alleging that on September 21 he cruelly ill-treated a horse by working it while suffering from lameness. A fine of £1 was imposed, with 5s 6d costs, or in default seven days' imprisonment.

ALLEGED FOWL-STEALING.

Harvey Couch, at the Central Police Court yesterday, was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions on a charge of stealing eight fowls, valued at £4, the property of James Galvin. He was allowed bail, self in £40, and securities in £40.

WATER LICENSING COURT.

The weekly meeting of the Water Licensing Court was held yesterday, when Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., granted the application for a transfer of a publican's license from Rebecca Cable to Edward T. Gwynne, Britannia Hotel, Oxford-street, Paddington.

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Oakey Creek, Coolah, a well-known pastoral estate, is well illustrated in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

PORT KEMBLA BREAKWATER.

A SAFE HARBOUR REQUIRED.

THE COAL INDUSTRY HAMPERED.

In the absence of the Premier, who was indisposed, Mr. Lee, Minister for Works, attended at the Treasury Department yesterday, and received a deputation from Wollongong and Port Kembla respecting the construction of the breakwater at the last mentioned place, as well as the necessity for retaining the tug service at Wollongong. The deputation, which was introduced by Mr. Nicholson, M.L.A., included close on 30 of the leading residents of Wollongong and Port Kembla, and embraced representatives of various interests.

It was urged upon the Minister that the South Coast was developing at a rapid rate, and that this rate would be still further increased if a perfectly safe harbour existed at Port Kembla for the accommodation of vessels loading coal and coke. It was undoubtedly true that the development of the coal mining industry in that district was considerably hampered by the fact that vessels could not load coal there in all weathers. The necessity for a breakwater being completed as soon as possible was pressed upon the Minister with considerable vigour by a number of speakers. It was explained that the foreign coal trade of the South Coast had greatly increased, and its development would be still further accelerated when the breakwater was completed. It was also represented that it was not right that the bread and butter of over 3000 miners should be dependent upon the elements, as such no doubt was the case when vessels were unable to enter Port Kembla to load coal. With regard to the tug service at Wollongong, it was strongly urged that it should be maintained.

The Minister for Works, in reply, said that he was of opinion that the Port Kembla Harbour work was a national one. He was exceedingly gratified to learn that the trade of the South Coast had increased, and that there was every prospect of a still greater development, because it was a justification of the recommendation of the Public Works Department. He trusted no impression existed that the Government did not realise the importance of the Port Kembla Harbour, and that it intended to cease the work of constructing the breakwater. At present, however, the position of affairs in connection with the work was not altogether satisfactory, because the cost of supervision was proportionately too high, as compared with the amount of work being carried out. As soon as he entered office he saw the Premier, with a view of seeing whether or not the work of constructing the harbour could be expedited. He was pleased to state the Premier recognised that it was an important national work which should be completed. The question was now under the consideration of the Premier, as he (Mr. Lee) had asked for authority to increase the monthly expenditure upon the works. He thought there was a good prospect of more funds being made available. He was satisfied that when the harbour was finished it would contribute largely to the revenue of the State. He was as strongly impressed as ever with the great utility of the work, and it was only because he was short of funds that he could not carry it on as fast as he would like. He hoped that the credit of the country would so improve that the Government would be able to borrow money judiciously, and thus enable him to carry out some reproductive works. With regard to the tug service at Wollongong, he could hold out no hope that it would be retained. All the official reports were opposed to the retention of the service.

MILITARY.

Brigadier-General Finn left by the Northern express last night for Guyra, where he will to-day inspect the new troop of Light Horse. To-morrow he inspects the Manilla Light Horse, and on Saturday afternoon the State Commandant will hold an inspection of the local Light Horse and infantry at Tamworth. He returns to Sydney on Monday morning.

Major-General Sir Edward Hutton, who completes his farewell series of inspections in Queensland on Saturday, will also arrive in Sydney on Monday by the same train as Brigadier-General Finn. He goes on to Adelaide either on Monday or Tuesday night.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. Stanley, O.C. Artillery, left for Melbourne last evening to attend a meeting of the Federal Military Committee on Standing Orders.

It is understood that within the next day or two two appointments to the instructional staff of the New South Wales forces will be gazetted. Major Wallace Brown, of the Tasmanian instructional staff, it is believed, will be given the vacancy brought about by Major J. G. Legge's promotion to the position of D.A.A.G. Major J. Campbell, of the Western Australian instructional staff, who is at present attending a school of instruction here, will probably be the other appointee.

Schools of instruction will be held during October as follows:—Field engineering at the depot from October 3 to 18; garrison artillery at Middle Head, October 5 to 8; and field artillery at National Park, October 3 to 13. An army signalling for N.C.O.'s and men is at present being held at the Victoria Barracks.

Six companies of the 1st Infantry Regiment—B, C, D, G, and H—were engaged in interesting field operations and firing in solid ammunition on Saturday afternoon on the bluff between Maroubra and Long Bay. The targets represented field guns in position and mounted scouts. At the conclusion of the firing, the companies, with bayonets fixed, charged the position. The targets were subsequently inspected by Lieutenant-Colonel Holmes, D.S.O., who informed the troops on re-forming that the shooting had been very good, nearly all the "scout" figures having been hit.

No. 1 company of the Royal Australian Artillery completed its annual series of competitive prize firing at South Head on Monday. Under the new regulations at least six series must be fired from no less than three styles of ordnance. From the 9.2 guns at Bondi and Signal Hill two series had previously taken place as well as two from the old 80-pounder practice battery at South Head, whilst Monday's shooting was carried out from the new 6in battery. A pair of Hongkong targets 6ft by 6ft were towed out to sea by the Miner, and the firing took place at distances ranging from 2900 to 3300 yds. It was reported afterwards that the company made 9 hits out of 10 rounds in a little under the time allowed—10 minutes 37 seconds—a performance that was eminently satisfactory to Lieutenant-Colonel Stanley, who was umpire-in-chief, and which easily qualifies the company as first-class.

The following teams will take part in the Governor's Cup—a service match representing an attack upon a position—on Saturday afternoon, and will fall in at a point on the tramline at Long Bay indicated by red flag at the times against their names:—North Sydney B, 1st Regiment D Company, and 1st Regiment C Company, at 1.45 p.m.; 1st Regiment B Company, Randwick and Coogee A, and Parramatta, at 3 p.m.; North Sydney A, Randwick and Coogee B, and 1st Regiment A Company, at 4.15 p.m. The trams leave Sydney at 12.5, 1.5, 2.20, and 3.20 p.m. Ammunition will be served at the squadding point. Lieutenant-Colonel Holmes, D.S.O., will supervise the competition, which will be continued on the following Saturday.

GUNDAGAI, Tuesday.

General Finn visited Gundagai yesterday and inspected the local rifle range. He also visited the hospital and the various public buildings. During his stay here he was a guest at Berrarong station.

MITTAGONG, Tuesday.

"H" Company Second Infantry Regiment, under Captain Napier, was inspected on Saturday by Lieutenant-Colonel Waddell. Fourty-four men paraded, and were put through various movements in connection with the annual course of field training. At the conclusion the colonel addressed the company, stating that he was well pleased with the drill, arms, and accoutrements, but dissatisfied with the uniform, which was old and ragged, while a number of men appeared in civilian attire in the ranks. He also expressed dissatisfaction at the attendance, and said that if the company could not muster 60 it would be disbanded and re formed when men were available.

CHAMBER OF MANUFACTURES.

The following have been elected as the council of the Chamber of Manufactures:—Messrs. O. C. Beale, W. Vicars, J. P. Franki, C. H. Hoskins, Hugh Dixson, J. Jackson, W. Sandford, J. P. Wright, A. Wunderlich, R. R. Hardman, A Milne, J. S. Brunton, J. Dennis, F. W. Edwards, John Hunter, D. J. Monk, B. S. Scarth, J. C. Beer, C. J. Brockhoff, J. G. Farleigh, C. A. L. Loney, A. W. Gillies, E. Braby, J. M. Simpson, J. Arnott, C. Anderson, L. G. Abrams, T. Danks, F. J. Fleming, and C. Baines. The council will be called together shortly for the purpose of electing the officers for the ensuing year.

INDIGESTION CURED.

BILE BEANS ALWAYS EFFECTIVE.

"For a period of over four years I was a sufferer from INDIGESTION," says Mr. Elliott Watkins, of Lady Robinson's Beach, Rockdale, Sydney. "The symptoms which troubled me most were dizziness in the head, accompanied by a languid feeling and most perpetual and intolerable headache. My stomach was distended after eating, and violent gnawing pains attacked me in the chest, breathing being, at times, most distressing. I was also greatly troubled with fits of vomiting, when I would be utterly prostrated and temporarily deprived of sight. Bile Beans were recommended to me, and the contents of the first box gave me great relief, and, continuing with them for a month, I was completely cured." Bile Beans are a prompt and permanent cure for Biliousness, Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Piles, Debility, Female Weaknesses, Nervousness, Bad Blood, Bad Breath, Anaemia, Disturbed Sleep, Loss of Appetite, Rheumatism, Spring Ailments, and in fact all ailments that owe their origin to defective bile flow, assimilation and digestion. Obtainable generally at 1s 1½d or 2s 9d large box contains three times 1s 1½d size).—Advt.

ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

EXTENT OF THE RAINS.

The general rains which had been predicted a week before the break-up occurred have, so far, been exceedingly disappointing. Less than half an inch is almost useless in the great extent of country which is most in want of moisture, and half-inch records were few and far between. Though the result of the disturbance may be described as a general rain, the record in scores of places was 2 to 10 points, which, for all practical purposes, means no rain at all. Few of the largest districts in the wheat belt received useful rain, and so far as the bulk of the area under crop is concerned, the very serious conditions prevailing before the rain are unchanged. Here and there, however, there was sufficient to improve the prospects. Wellington reported over half an inch, and Dubbo nearly half an inch. If these districts were well covered by the record, a considerable area of wheat—probably 150,000 acres—will benefit to some extent. Mudgee had 80 points, and Gulgong 44, rains which must prove of service to the settlers. Such important districts as Narromine, Parkes, Forbes, and the country lying between the main line and Parkes had no rain of any use. About a quarter of an inch seems to have been the average on the cross section between the south and west, which includes Cowra, Grenfell, Young, and other important districts. No rain of any consequence had reached Riverina up to yesterday. From Cootamundra to the Murray and out at Temora, Coolamon, and Narrandera in the south-west good rain within a week or so is absolutely necessary to save the crops. The north-west country, which has been very fortunate since the first break of the drought, has again been favoured. Inverell and Warialda, the most important farming country in that section, had the best rain, the falls going to 2½in, while Boggabri 75, Narrabri 66, Moree 171, Gunnedah 40, Manilla 55, Tamworth 53, Quirindi 46, will also have some assistance. Rain was needed over every inch of the State, therefore, inch and a half to two inches in New England and on other parts of the tableland must prove very profitable, while smaller falls on the coast will stay the browning of the pastures and keep the grass moving. Now that the conditions are disturbed good rains may happen anywhere, but the outlook is for a patchy season, with light crops from large areas, and a shortness of grass. Had the falls in the north-west been carried through the west and Riverina immense benefit would have resulted. Two inches of rain throughout would work a magical change in the situation. It is not yet too late, but the time in which the crops could recover is growing very short.

BRITISH SHEEP AND CROSS-BREDS.

Present conditions are so favourable to breeders of crossbred sheep that quick fattening, early maturing British breeds are sure to become popular in all the suitable districts. At no previous period in the pastoral history of Australia has the sheep been as valuable and profitable as it is to-day. Wool is high and firm; indeed there are indications that but for certain steadying factors, such as the war in the East and possibilities of international complications, the world would see another "boom" in wool this year. Strong values rule for fat sheep and lambs, and with the prospect of the export markets holding good, prices are not likely to fall for many years to come. The profitableness of crossbreds is enhanced by the conditions in the meat markets, and also by the very satisfactory position of crossbred wool. So good is this that small and large holders alike are disposed to regard the introduction of British sheep with much favour. A considerable increase in the production of sheep more suitable to the fat markets and the export trade would probably result in material assistance and increase in the frozen meat business, when local values touch export levels. Apart from this consideration of ultimate results, however, crossbreds are likely to pay the farmer very well. It is popularly believed that the crosses do not stand bad times as well as the merino, and therefore only certain special areas can be safely used for their production. The limit inland has not been defined, but it is certain that these sheep may be profitably used in any district where they are not liable to prolonged periods of starvation. Some farmers declare that Shropshire-merino crosses will hold their condition on short commons better for some time than merinos. When two or three bad seasons come, however, the crossbred gives way, while the merino hangs on in some fashion. Last month the writer saw some Shropshire-merino lambs in a Riverina district, which was in very bad heart, grass being exceedingly short. The crossbreds, however, were strong and well, while the merino lambs alongside were very weak and some were dying. If a very dry summer catches crossbreds in low condition they waste a great deal, and their wool stops growing. Of course the merino also suffers, but since the main purpose of the merino is to grow wool the effects of hard times are perhaps not so serious as in the case of the crossbreds, which are more relied upon as mutton sheep. Certainly there is a vast area of coastal, tableland, and even inland flat country in this State on which various British breeds and their crosses would thrive. No farmer who has not kept sheep realises how useful and profitable a few crossbreds are, even on a dairy farm.

The choice of Australian importers in British sheep is very interesting. The great wool producer—the merino—is regarded as one breed, and the variations are not known as breeds, but as sub-types. On the other hand the British longwool or double purpose sheep and the shortwool or mainly mutton sheep each boast several breeds. Thus in longwools there are the Leicester, the Lincoln, the Romney Marsh, and so on, and in shortwools the Shropshire, Southdowns, Oxford Downs, Suffolks, and others. These breeds have been developed by enthusiasts in various counties, and they do not compete with each other, the types being all dissimilar in a considerable degree. Great Britain has over 20 principal breeds of sheep—Leicesters, Lincolns, Border Leicesters, Shropshires, Cotswold, Oxford Downs, Southdowns, Hampshires, Suffolks, Wensleydales, Dorset Horns, Kent, and Romney Marsh, Cheviots, Devon Long Wools, South Devons, Blackfaced mountain sheep, Kerry Hills, Ryelands, and the Welsh, the Radnor, and the Roscommon. For years the Lincoln was most popular in Australia, but the shortwools, and particularly the Shropshire, are coming into favour very fast. Merino men are apt to conclude that the British breeders do not pay attention to the covering of their sheep, and that the wool is just what happens to grow. In improving the breeds, however, wool has been a leading condition, but it is of a very different class to merino. The improved Shropshire carries a dense fleece, literally from nose to toes. The United Kingdom has over 30,000,000 sheep, most of which are coarse woolled, and it is plain that breeders must consider wool in their own interests. In 1903, 5579 British stud sheep were exported to the colonies, and of these Australia took 142, valued at £1556, and New Zealand 48, valued at £736. In the same year the Argentine, England's greatest stud stock customer, secured 2465 sheep, valued at £42,219. There are, however, many valuable up-to-date studs in Australia, particularly in Victoria and Tasmania, from which improved stud sheep are sold every year.

DISEASES OF LIVE STOCK.

Mr. John Pottie writes:—"Since the publication of a note about meningitis in horses, I have been asked by several if it is the same disease which affects their calves. They say the little animals keep pushing their heads against a fence or tree. This is not the same disease, but is due to inflammation of the stomach, generally produced by some ergot, which grows on grasses licked or sucked by the calf. It is a deadly affair, and is often looked upon as sunstroke. I have known it cured with cayenne pepper and gentian, given slowly as a warm drench, and repeated every third hour. Another party mentioned another complaint in lambs, through which the animals throw up their heads and stagger about. This is true brain disorder, and is caused by the tapeworm hydatid getting into the back part of nostril and then into the brain. I have often cured this by injecting up the nostril a very weak solution of iodine, say five drops of the tincture to a tablespoonful of warm water. If one dose does not cure give another next day, holding the head well up while it is given. This is a very bad year for tapeworm; it will be the worst we have seen for all kinds of worms."

THE COMMERCIAL ASPECT OF THE RABBIT PEST.

THE EXPORT TRADE.

"Commercial" writes:—"I have read with great interest the different views on this question which have appeared in your paper lately. The fact which struck me most forcibly was the want of knowledge of the commercial value of the rabbit, and especially of the export trade in frozen rabbits. For the past four months there have been exported (mostly to England) 2,680,000 rabbits, and if you add to these those rejected as unfit for export and those consumed locally we have four and a half millions of rabbits that have all been trapped and sent to Sydney. Because of the refusal of the railway department to carry rabbits on passenger trains this trade has to stop until next winter, when the rabbits can be carried fresh to Sydney by slow goods trains. The actual amount of English gold brought into the country this season was £86,000, and from local sales of rabbits this season some £15,000 was received. There have also been very large sums of money received from the export and local sale of rabbitskins. A very large percentage of this money goes back to the trapper in the country as wages, and it is well known that a number of small country towns depend on the rabbit money during winter. The money is well distributed all over the State. Now there is no reason why this revenue should not be earned all the year round with the aid of (1st) passenger train service for rabbits in summer; (2nd) freezing works inland. In regard to the former it will cost the country nothing for a trial. The second proposition should commend itself. There are many exporters who would lease such works from the Government if they erect them, on remunerative terms to the owner. If the Government contemplates spending money on experiments a practical step such as this would be in keeping with the desired end of keeping the rabbits in check. In Victoria there is no outcry about the rabbit pest, because the Railway Department caters for the traffic. The consequence is the trade goes on all the year round. There is no reason why we should not do the same here, and such train service would keep the rabbits in check along the greatest part of the Southern line and also the South-Western and Western lines. This, with inland freezing works, would go far towards keeping the rabbits down. Further, the revenue would be forthcoming all the year round instead of or a few months as at present."

[A telegram in yesterday's "Herald" from Melbourne states that during last season 10,440,912 rabbits were handled at the various freezing works in Victoria.]

TIMBER FOR NATAL.

The Minister for Mines and Agriculture has received a copy of the specification and form of tender for the supply of Australian hardwood timber for the construction of wharfage at Congella by the Natal Harbour Department. The document may be seen at the office of the Cold Storage and Export Branch, Department of Agriculture, 17 Bridge-street, city.

RABBITS IN NORTHERN QUEENSLAND.

The Townsville Chamber of Commerce has written to the Government, repeating the arguments used in April last, urging the Government to prevent the rabbit incursion in Northern Queensland. Five rabbits were found recently near Wintono.

STOCKOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Stockowners' Association was held yesterday, the president, Sir Francis Suttor, occupying the chair. A large amount of business was transacted. The Stock Stealing Bill was discussed, and an endeavour will be made to bring it before the Legislative Council. It was decided that a meeting of the boards should be held in Sydney on 27th October, at 8 Spring-street. Complaints have been received about the number of unnecessary dogs at the Flemington Sale Yards, and the matter is to be taken in hand by the association.

DUTY ON IMPORTED FRUIT.

ADELAIDE, Tuesday.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Fruitgrowers' Association this afternoon, a letter was read from the Castle Hill Fruitgrowers' Association seeking co-operation in endeavouring to secure higher duties on imported fruit. Members generally thought it a mistake to talk of imposing prohibitive duties on fruits at a time when Australians were endeavouring to extend the markets in other countries. It was unanimously resolved,—"That, in the opinion of the committee, the present duty was sufficiently high, and that members cannot further assist in a movement for the imposition of higher duties."

DISTRICT ITEMS.

BATHURST.—On Wednesday the third annual meeting of the Bathurst Co-operative Dairying Company was held. The report showed that during the year the company received 235,336lb of cream, and manufactured 117,668lb of butter, all of which sold at the highest market rates. The price paid for cream ranged from 3½d to 4d per lb. The profit and loss accounts showed a credit of £216 6s 11d, out of which the directors recommended payment of a 5 per cent. dividend to shareholders. The directors—Dr. Machattie, Messrs. W. J. McPhillamy, C. Armstrong, P. Furness, W. Dowling, L. Edgeley, and Walter Short—were re-elected unopposed.

BERRIGAN.—The application lodged by Nowranie station for an extended lease of about 8000 acres as a timber reserve situated 15 miles from Berrigan railway station has not been ratified. The reserve is comprised chiefly of rich agricultural land, which has been estimated to be capable of carrying one family to 640 acres. The case is adjourned to Jerilderie.

BROKEN HILL.—At the meeting on Tuesday in connection with the "Silver City" show, Mr. A. Crossing, chairman, stated that the financial results showed receipts £367, while £178 had been paid for prizes. The total profit was about £70. The amalgamation with the Broken Hill Dog and Poultry Society had proved successful.

CROOKWELL.—The rain has greatly improved the prospects of the season.

QUEANBEYAN.—The following members were elected the executive committee of the Pastoral and Agricultural Association:—Town: Messrs. Dixie, Wren, R. Hayes, Atkinson, Clemesha, Knox, W. Pite. Country: Messrs. J. M. M'Intosh, E. G. Crace, N. H. Gibbs, R. Moore, C. H. M'Kechnie, Walter M'Intosh.

TAMWORTH.—At a meeting of the Tamworth Pastures Protection Board on Tuesday, it was stated that rabbits were becoming very numerous in this district, whilst in adjoining districts they could be counted in thousands. It was decided that land owners should be compelled to destroy rabbits, and that two additional inspectors should be appointed. The board favoured the holding of the conference of delegates in Sydney next month, and appointed the chairman, Mr. R. A. O. Gill, as its representative, with instructions to state that the Tamworth Board was prepared to assist with other boards in experimenting, paying as its share per annum for three years, 6d for every hundred head large stock in the district. The following scale of bonuses was fixed:—Crows, 6d; kangaroo rats, 1d; wallabies other than those protected, 1d; wombats, 6d; foxes, £1; native dogs, £1; native dog pups, 5s. It was stated that during the past 12 months 4000 crows were paid for, besides 196 native dogs, 43 pups, and 1 fox.

THE CROPS.

ROCKLEY.—The recent rains will greatly assist the crops and pasture, which are in a very backward condition. The weather on Wednesday was hot and muggy, with appearances of further rain.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

MILLTHORPE, Wednesday.

The second day of the show with the ploughing matches was favoured by a good attendance and fine weather. The following awards were announced:—

Colonial Manufactures.—Farmer's dray: A. Weban. Double-seated buggy: J. M'Keon, 1; C. Collier, 2. Single-seated buggy: C. Collier. Sulky: C. Collier.

Horses.—Draught stallion: J. M'Clymont's Wallace, 1; H. J. Davis' Bobbie Burns, 2. Active farm stallion: Chas. Horton's Heather Jock, 1; Chas. Taylor's General, 2. Draught mare: J. A. Davis, 1; J. M'Clymont, 2. Draught mare and foal: C. Whiley. Draught foal: J. A. Davis, 1; C. Whiley, 2. Draught colt under 2 years: S. and R. Ewin, 1; W. E. Gidham, 2. Draught filly: Fitzgerald, 1; W. Banham, 2. Draught filly under 3 years: Claude Whiley, 1; W. Banham, 2. Blood stallion: J. Townsend's Plantagenet, 1; A. Dean's Highlander, 2. Brood blood mare: J. Townsend, 1; Frank Quinn, 2. Blood colt, under 2 years: C. W. Brooks. Blood filly under 2 years: J. Couldwell. Coaching stallion: W. Goode's Young Figtree, 1; B. Cutler's Billington Splendor, 2. Pony stallion: G. Langham's Little Jim, 1; F. Dunbar, 2. Gent.'s hack: W. Taylor, 1; Miss Fraves, 2. Lady's hack: W. Taylor, 1; Miss Fraves, 2. Lady rider: Miss Kirk, 1; Miss Wilson, 2. Best-equipped lady rider and turnout: Miss Kirk. Pair hackneys: W. Taylor. Member's hack: C. Taylor, 1; W. Taylor, 2. Sulky horse: Hayes Bros., 1; G. Wilson, 2. Pony, 14 hds. and over, ridden by boy or girl under 14: Miss Newman, 1; E. Smith, 2. Pony, 12 hands and under, ridden by a boy or girl under 12 years: Hayes Brothers, 1; F. E. Baker, 2. Boy rider, under 14: H. Fisher, 1; L. Walsh, 2. Girl rider: Miss Rose. Weight-carrying hack: C. Taylor. Best gentleman rider: Hunt. Neatest turnout, horse, harness, and vehicle: R. H. Higgins, 1; T. W. Baker, 2. Buggy horse: T. W. Baker, 1; F. Barrett, 2. Sulky pony, 12.2 hands: C. Peters, 1; E. Baker, 2. Sulky pony, 14.2 hands: E. Smith, 1; Miss Newman, 2. Farmer's turnout, horse, harness, and vehicle: J. Toms, 1; T. W. Baker, 2. Cart horse: Hayes Brothers, 1; F. Barrett, 2. Business turnout: F. Barrett, 1; Hayes Brothers, 2. Farmer's hack: C. Taylor, 1; T. W. Baker, 2. Maiden hunting: Hamer's Saturn Boy, 1; Black's Will-if-I-Can, 2. Association time trot: Taylor's Fashion. Maiden handicap trot: Taylor's Fashion, 1; Chas. Willis's Jessie, 2. Farmer's trot: C. Willis, 1; Hamer, 2.

Champion Double-furrow Ploughing.—George Whiley, 95 points, 1; J. Martin, 88, 2; T. G. Martin, 83, 3. Three-furrow riding plough: A. Fisher, 50 points, 1; T. Daniels, 53, 2. Hunters: Macintosh's Bayfield and She's Shamrock divided. Ladies' hunting: The same result. High jump: Grady's Tuncread, 6ft 1in.

Cattle.—Pen of dairy cattle: J. A. Davis, 1; W. Marriott, 2. Butter cow: Mrs. W. Brice, test 2.0..., 1; W. Marriott, 2.

STOCK MOVEMENTS.

BOURKE.—7000 ewes, Warraweena to Gnomery, M'Gregor and Tully; 2000 mixed weaners, Glenariff to Murrawombie, A.J.S. Bank; 90 fat wethers, Tareoon to Flemington, H. E. Randall; 20 fat bullocks, Bourke to Wellington, W. Tobin; 10 fat bullocks, Bourke to Orange, W. Tobin; 122 mixed horses, Listowel and Galway Downs (Q.) to Bourke, Union Bank; 40 rams, Boonoke to Oakleigh, Tatt, Son, and Badgery; 120 rams Boonoke to Coronga Peak, Union Bank; 127 rams, Boonoke to Widgegoara, London Bank; 500 rams, Wanganella to Tinenburra, estate J. Tyson; 1000 mixed weaners, Correlia to Fernlee (Q.), Scottish and Australian Investment Company; 910 lambs, Beemery to Flemington, New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company; 600 ewes, Fairfield to Prairie, J. Staggs; 74 horses, Tambo to Bourke, Davis and Atherton; 402 bullocks, Marion Downs to Sydney, Mackinson Brothers; 336 horses, Pentland to Wodonga, A. W. Beazley.

GLEN INNES.—63 fat bullocks, from Maidenhead to Flemington, F. A. Purves, owner; 33 fat bullocks, Tenterfield to Flemington, R. S. Smith; 150 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Ranger's Valley, Campbell Brothers; 70 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Oakpark, R. R. Green; 50 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Emmaville, D. M. O'Donnell; 159 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Spring Valley, T. W. Gilliham; 13 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Stonehenge, H. Hutchison; 100 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Scone, A. Cameron; 38 heifer calves, Glen Innes to Weenan, A. J. Robinson; 50 store bullocks, Wellingrove to Inverell, W. Thompson; 11 mixed cattle, Mayhole to Spring Vale, J. M'Lachlan; 400 bullocks, Maryland to Kyogle, M. Campbell; 165 fat bullocks, Riverton to Riverstone, B. Richards and Sons; 97 cattle, Bungawalbyn to Newstead North, N. C. Bucknell; 19 horses, Maroon to Carama (Q.), J. Scholes; 9 horses Broadmeadows to Flemington, N. A. M'Donald; 1050 ewes, Tareela to Lake View, Fralla, James Davidson; 1100 ewes, Dunlee Vale to Prairie Park, F. White, 458 mixed hoggets, Stirling to Glencoe, J. Wetherspoon.

HAY.—248 ewes, from Hay agents, saleyards to Bush Park, A. Tolmie owner; 716 ewes and 460 lambs, Hay agents, saleyards to Oatlands, Samuel Potter; 110 lambs, from Brighton, Carrathool to Sydney, J. Arnold; 100 lambs and 100 wethers, from Mulberrygong to Sydney, Mrs. Campbell; 380 lambs, Hay agents, saleyards to Darvola, W. C. Tyson; 100 hoggets and 100 lambs, Ruddepoint to Sydney, Thomas Terry; 81 ewes, lambs, and wethers, Floodvale, Hillston, to Booligal, J. Dowdle; 100 mixed sheep, Ingle-wood, Carrathool to Sydney, Jas. Campbell; 1210 lambs and 80 crossbred wethers, Tomanmain to Sydney, executors late Thos. Robertson; 250 ewes and lambs, Tomanmain to Pine Grove, Mrs. M. Pearce; 4450 merino ewes, Perricoota to rented country near Hay, S. Falconer; 276 wethers, Beddock to Sydney; 230 fat lambs and wethers, Belaley to Homebush, Lugsdin and Son; 4500 mixed wethers, Cundyulumblah to Gehram, executors D. Moore; 10 merino rams, Wanganella station to Hay, James Tyson; 749 fat merino wethers, Hay to Melbourne, Horton Bros.; 331 ewes and 350 lambs, Croydon to Elwood, Horton Bros.; 120 fat lambs, from paddocks at Hay to Homebush, Horton Bros.

WAGGA WAGGA.—25 bullocks, Gobbagumbalin to Albury, executors of the late A. Booth, owners; 2300 ewes, lambs, and rams, Hillside to Traversdale, Forbes, L. S. Gray; 500 young sheep, Corowa to Blowering, J. H. Hume; 86 merino rams, Boonoke to Matong, via Jerilderie, Union Bank; 800 ewes and lambs, Yarragundry to Somerset Park, J. H. Spiller; 5 horses and mares, Wagga to Wodonga, W. Cummings; 670 merino wethers, Lake Albert to Albury, W. J. Clarke.

WALGETT.—5332 wethers, from Wellmoringle to Gunnedah, H. Moses and Sons owners; 8000 wethers, Toorale to Warialda, J. H. Black and Co.; 3600 wethers, Gingie to Gunnedah, A. E. Scott.

NEWTOWN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

SALE OF WORK.

Yesterday afternoon a sale of work in connection with the Newtown Congregational Church was opened by Lady Fairfax in the school-hall adjoining the church in King-street. The stalls, which were representative of the Commonwealth, were attractively arranged and beautifully draped, and were so planned as to group the six States under their respective names, while the Christian Endeavour kiosk in the centre was a representation of the whole under the title of "Australia."

Lady Fairfax, who was accompanied by Miss Fairfax, was received by the pastor, the Rev. Warlow Davies, M.A., and the members of the ladies' committee. At the opening ceremony the pastor, who presided, said the sale of work they were about to open was part of a larger scheme the congregation had in view. A little more than two years hence the church would be celebrating its jubilee, and it was desired when that important event took place all existing debts and burdens should have entirely disappeared. This sale of work was one of several forms of activity that the congregation had planned to accomplish that end. As minister of the church he had been much impressed of late with the idea that the church should become a large mission centre. Up to the present they had been content to go along as a church for families to worship in. But with 50 years' service in that direction they could not shut their eyes to the fact that the people of Newtown and surrounding parts had grown to 40,000 strong, and if those people would not come to the church the church must go to them. The ladies of the church had undertaken this sale several months ago. Mrs. Davies, through failing health, was not able at the time to undertake the oversight, but Mrs. J. Bullen, wife of one of the deacons, kindly came to the rescue, and with great energy had taken the lead. With the valuable assistance of her co-workers a result was produced that was most pleasing and effective, and now the crowning pleasure they all experienced was the presence of Lady Fairfax to open the sale. When he first arrived in Sydney he was the guest of the late Hon. John Fairfax for a month, and he was not likely to forget the generosity of that grand old man. Other ministers also could echo such sentiments. The site of the Newtown Congregational Church was also the gift of the late Mr. Fairfax, so that this congregation felt a special pleasure in having with them that day Lady Fairfax, who, with her husband, Sir James Fairfax, was doing much to elevate and purify the life of this State. They were foremost in all good work, and in this respect the tradition left by him who had gone still blossomed. (Applause.) He had much pleasure in asking Lady Fairfax to declare the sale open.

Lady Fairfax, who was received with applause, performed the ceremony, and was afterwards presented by Miss Hilda Brough, on behalf of the ladies' committee, with a handsome bouquet.

The Rev. Dr. Roseby moved a vote of thanks to Lady Fairfax, and in doing so made a warm defence in support of sales of work as an excellent means of helping Christian work. Afternoon tea was then served and a visit made to the various stalls. The names of the ladies presiding at each stall were as follows:—

Victoria Stall.—Mrs. Warlow Davies, Mrs. Dickers, Mrs. Cran, Mrs. Stratford, Mrs. Rees, and the Misses Rumph and Henry.

New South Wales Stall.—Mrs. Bullen, Mrs. Chislett, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Serbutt, Miss Ellis.

West Australia Stall.—Mrs. Denteman, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Threlkeld.

South Australia Stall.—Mrs. Northwood and the Misses Gibson, Northwood (2), K. Ould, Stedman, Baldwin, J. Gibson, and Briggs.

Queensland Stall.—Mrs. Paull and the Misses Sanbrook.

Tasmania Stall.—Mrs. Weekley, Mrs. Lees.

Commonwealth Stall.—The Misses Dole, I. Davies, L. Ould, F. Earl, A. Swan, and V. Neilson.

Flower Stall.—The Misses Knight, E. Briggs, Fry, Weekley (2), Mitchell, R. Gibson, and Messrs. Knight, W. Fry, and W. C. Fry.

SOLDIERS' DEFERRED PAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The Premier last night, in answer to Mr. M'Gowen, said he desired notice, after the financial statement, re payment of the 2nd Contingent. I would like to know what about the Citizens' Bushmen. Had our affairs been left entirely in the hands of the Bushmen's Committee I am sure we would never have been deprived of the 1s 7d a day. I have always understood that Howarth's case was a test case to cover both the 2nd Contingent and Citizens' Bushmen; but it seems this Government is going to follow in the steps of the late Government and deprive us of that to which we are justly entitled. Why don't they act straight and appoint a nominal defendant in place of the late Mr. Critchett Walker, and we will be satisfied to depend on the Privy Council for justice. The Liberal and Reform party used the non-payment of the soldiers as a rod to flog the See Government with, now that they are in office they are acting the same.

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A page of this week's "Mail" splendidly illustrates the opening of the sailing season.—Advt.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

Mr. W. H. Dean has retired St. Mars from the turf, and the son of Bill of Portland starts his stud career at Trevallyn this season.

Mr. John Brown has allotted the following mares in the Motto Farm stud to his imported horse Trussing Cup:—Harvest Home (imp.), by Harvester from Unca; Lacrosse (imp.), by Ladas from Lucy Cross; First Prize, by Motto from The Prize; Gloria, by The Sailor Prince from The Frau; Gaiter, by Navigator from Athole (imp.); Atholstene, by Navigator from Athole (imp.); Spry, by Bowmont from Dame Durden; and Wondup, by Grandmaster from Dilisk.

The second edition of "J. J. Miller's Sporting Pamphlet," 1904, with supplement, containing the full performances of all horses engaged in the Caulfield and Melbourne Cups, up to the 17th September, together with the acceptances for both events up to the 19th inst, is to hand. In view of the near approach of the big spring meetings at Caulfield and Flemington, and the up-to-date character of the information contained therein, this publication is invaluable as an accurate work of reference to all who take an interest in the national sport of horse-racing. In addition to the information referred to, the work also contains the nominations for the classic events of the spring, the placed horses in tabulated form of all the leading races in the Commonwealth, together with record performances on the turf and in every other important branch of sport.

The only scratching recorded yesterday for the Warwick Farm Meeting to be held on Saturday next was Peaceful from the Farm Stakes.

Carnival, who ran second in the Trial Handicap at City Tattersall's Meeting on Saturday, was made a warm favourite for the Spring Handicap at the Newcastle Jockey Club's Meeting yesterday, but finished out of a place. He did much better in the Final Handicap, for which he was again heavily backed, and duly won. He was ridden by D. M'Carthy, who was also successful earlier in the day on Neptunus in the Flying Handicap.

Messrs. W. Inglis and Son will submit a couple of thoroughbreds for sale at their bazaar at noon to-day. These are a bay filly, 3 years, by Churchill from Torchlight, also a brown two-year-old colt, full-brother to Forest Light and Churchlight, by Churchill from a Waxlight mare.

The quarterly meeting of the New South Wales Pony and Galloway Association is advertised to be held at the Freemasons' Hall, York-street, to-night at 8 o'clock.

A number of improvements have been effected at Moorefield Racecourse since the last meeting was held there. A well-drained grass track has been laid inside the course proper, as well as another for the training of steeplechasers and hurdlers. This last track is about seven furlongs round, and about 75ft wide, and will be available for cross-country racing. Complaints have been made by residents of Marshall-street about persons congregating there on race days, and a 10ft fence has been erected along that boundary, which it is believed will obviate the difficulty. Alterations have been made inside the entrance from President's Avenue, with the object of apportioning space for the use of motor cars. The training stalls are also to be made available on race days for saddle and buggy horses, and will accommodate over 100 animals. The entrance for these will be from President's Avenue, as heretofore.

The names of the following horses have been registered at the A.J.C. office:—Gr. c., by Simmer—Bliss, Elysium; b. c., by Gossoon—The Queen, Queen's Messenger; bl. c., by Simmer—Cloggs II., Percival.

The steeplechaser Nickola, who met with an accident at Victoria Park races on Saturday, died as the result of his injuries yesterday morning.

VICTORIAN SPORTING NOTES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Nothos and Dirida have arrived at Flemington from Sydney, and were on the tracks to-day. Dividend also came to hand, and went into W. Hickenbotham's stable.

The advance guard of T. Payten's team, comprising Koopan, Lord Fitzroy, Elvo, Bewitcher, The Hawker, and the two-year-olds Roycroft and Pancake, arrived by train from Sydney to-day, and took up their quarters at Caulfield. The balance of the team, comprising Praleen, Green Mountain, Mimer, and Selum, is on board the Wodonga, which is due to arrive in Melbourne to-morrow.

The Cup candidate Patronage has arrived from Sydney.

Kilfera and Miramar have been scratched for the Toorak Handicap, and Kilfera, Overdale, Zythos, and Ian for the Caulfield Cup.

The latest withdrawals from the Melbourne Cup are Proceed, Buckthorn, and Fanshawe.

TASMANIAN RACE CLUB.

HOBART (Tas.), Wednesday.

The following scratchings have been made for the Tasmanian Race Club meeting on Saturday:—Maiden: Paul, Clifton. Hurdles: Clifton, Cliquot, Inquire, Loch Tay. Spring Handicap: Salvous, Admired, Sweet Marie. Trial: Isinglass, Sweet Marie. Steeple: Conrade. Flying Stakes: Bisley.

KENSINGTON RACING CLUB.

The weekly meeting of the Kensington Racing Club was held yesterday in bleak, cold weather, but nevertheless the attendance was quite up to the average. For suspicious running in the Fifteen Hands Handicap the bay gelding Freelance, and the joint owners, Z. Murray and W. Evans, were disqualified for 12 months, while the jockey, King, was suspended for a similar period. In the Fourteen-two Handicap Lady Ha Ha easily beat the rest of the field, but on returning to scale, a protest was lodged, on the ground that certain of her performances had not been included in her nomination paper. The objection was upheld, with the result that Lady Ha Ha and A. Crawford were disqualified for 12 months, and the race was awarded to Robin, who came in second. Results:—

Fifteen Hands Handicap, of 30 sovs, second 5 sovs, 4½f.—J. Henry's Goodwin, by Blarney—Irene, 8st 13lb (Evans), 1; D. Slattery's Olive, 9st (D. Price), 2; Z. Murray's Freelance, 9st 1lb (King), 3. Other starters: Rosa, 8st 12lb; Blue Cap II., 8st; Loch Arrow, 7st; Cora II., 7st. Betting: 2 to 1 v Goodwin, 5 to 2 v Olive, 5 to 1 v Cora, 6 to 1 v Loch Arrow, 7 to 10 to 1 v others. Won by a length and a half. Time, 58½s.

Fourteen-one Handicap, of 30 sovs, second 3 sovs, 5½f.—R. Stone's Linda, by Sir William, 8st (H. Waterson), 1; G. Perry's Myalba, 9st 5lb (T. Adams), 2; C. Gallimore's Sea Shell, 8st 7lb (A. Wagner), 3. Other starters: My Fancy, 9st 3lb; Clarette, 8st 9lb; Reform, 8st 7lb; Dolly, 8st 4lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v My Fancy, 7 to 2 v Sea Shell, 6 to 1 v Linda, 7 to 1 v Myalba, 8 to 1 v Reform, 10 to 1 v others. Won by four lengths. Time, 1m 12½s.

Trial Stakes, of 25 sovs, second 5 sovs, 5f.—C. White's Sandringham, by Metal (imp.)—Infant, 8st 1lb (J. Dalton), 1; H. G. Kibble's Lady Primrose, 8st 6lb (M. Connell), 2; R. Gray's Intrepid, 8st 8lb (J. Prendergast), 3. Other starters: Ambition, 8st 12lb; Angelo, 8st 12lb; Solitaire, 8st 8lb; Cannon, 8st 3lb; Pretty Holly, Uralla, 7st 10lb; Heston, 7st 10lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Lady Primrose, 5 to 2 v Ambition, 6 to 1 each v Angelo and Intrepid, 10 to 1 v Sandringham and others. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m 6s.

Thirteen-two Handicap, of 30 sovs, second 3 sovs, 4½f.—H. Willes' Ivy II., by Cambria—Ivy, 8st 6lb (T. M'Donald), 1; D. Slattery's Jimmy II., 8st 6lb (T. Price), 2; N. Hough's Fair Morn, 7st 7lb (W. Winch), 3. Other starters: Marie, 9st 4lb; Beaulight, 7st 12lb; Little Jewel, 7st 12lb; Reckless, 7st 12lb; Kissing Cup, 7st 5lb; Little Ruuji, 7st 4lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Marie, 4 to 1 v Beaulight, 5 to 1 v Kissing Cup, 7 to 1 v Ivy II., 8 to 1 v others. Won by a length. Time, 1m 3½s.

Fourteen-two Handicap, of 30 sovs, second 3 sovs, 4½f.—J. Duncan's Robin, by Launceston—Wildflower, 7st 6lb (J. Killorn), 1; R. Harbutt's Perfume, 7st 4lb (W. Moore), 2. Other starters: Rosalind, 8st 8lb; Lady Ha Ha, 8st; Vibrona, 7st 12lb; Maid of the Hunter, 7st 12lb; Orange Rose, 7st 2lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v First Aid, 5 to 2 v Perfume, 6 to 1 each v Lady Ha Ha, Robin, and Rosalind, 8 to 1 v others. Lady Ha Ha came home an easy first, but was disqualified, on the ground of wrongful nomination, and the race awarded to Robin. Time, 59½s.

Kensington Handicap, of 55 sovs, second 5 sovs, 1m.—Mrs. H. Richardson's Ikey, by Lord Cochrane—Ida, 7st 6lb (J. E. Byrne), 1; D. Slattery's Orange, 7st 13lb (D. Price), 2; A. Belgin's Mervella, 7st 7lb (A. Wagner), 3. Other starters: Our State, 10st 3lb; Rose Bay, 8st 9lb; West Key, 7st 10lb; Rosebank, 7st 9lb; Pegar, 7st 9lb; Descender, 7st 6lb; Lady Loch, 7st; Dunlew, 7st; Specimen, 7st. Betting: 2 to 1 v Pegar, 7 to 2 v Rosebank, 5 to 1 v Orange, 10 to 1 v Ikey and others. Won by a length. Time, 1m 50s.

NEWCASTLE JOCKEY CLUB.

SEPTEMBER MEETING.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The September meeting of the Newcastle Jockey Club was held to-day in fine weather, and with a good attendance of patrons. For being late at the post in the Trial Handicap the owners of Peter and Carnival were each fined £2. Results:—

Flying Handicap of 40 sovs, 6f.—Mr. George Pike's b g Neptunus, by Albatross—Negress, 5yrs, 9st (D. M'Carthy), 1; Mr. T. Carney's b g Sarsfield, 5yrs, 8st 2lb (Houseman), 2; Mr. S. Fielder's br m Query, 4yrs, 6st 7lb (Brennan), 3. Other starters: Chester Belle, 7st 7lb; Clan Alpine, 7st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 each v Query and Neptunus, 5 to 1 each v Archie Belle and Clan Alpine, 7 to 1 v Sarsfield. Won easily by a length. Time, 1m 17s.

Pace Welter Handicap of 30 sovs, 6f.—Mr. E. F. Meyo's br g Chronograph, by Jeweller—Opera, aged, 7st 9lb, including 2½lb over (W. Chater), 1; Mr. Alexander M'Innes's b g Cangon, 6yrs, 8st 8lb (M'Carthy), 2; Mr. D. Lewis's b g Phil May, 3yrs, 7st 12lb (S. Houseman), 3. Other starters: Valnaut, 8st 12lb; Dally, 7st 7lb; Flamingo, 7st 7lb; Hush, 7st 7lb; Irondale, 7st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Cangon, 3 to 1 v Flamingo, 4 to 1 v Valnaut, 7 to 1 v Chronograph, 10 to 1 each v the others. A very bad start. Won easily by over eight lengths. Time, 1m 17½s.

Spring Handicap of 60 sovs; second 10 sovs; 1m.—Mr. W. F. Claydon's b m Miss Minerva, by Tortworth—Minerva, aged, 7st 2lb (S. Houseman), 1; Mr. J. Davidson's b g Athol King, 6yrs, 8st 2lb (Chater), 2; Mr. F. Burke's ch g Field Gun, aged, 7st 12lb (Mitten), 3. Other starters: Tarik, 9st; Carnival, 8st 3lb; Sarsfield, 8st; The Bairn, 7st 12lb; Automatic, 8st 0½lb, including 2½lb over. Betting: 6 to 4 v Carnival, 4 to 1 v Athol King, 5 to 1 v Field Gun, 6 to 1 v The Bairn, 7 to 1 v Miss Minerva. A good race, and close finish. Sarsfield cut out the pace to the half-mile post. Athol King was first into the straight, and was followed by Miss Minerva, who eventually won by half a length. Field Gun was close up, third. Time, 1m 44½s.

Park Stakes of 30 sovs, 6f.—S. Fielder's br m Query, by Grafton—Conundrum, 4 yrs., 6st 7lb (Brennan), 1; Mr. T. M'Carthy's, jun., ch m Lady Gnaroo, aged, 8st 6lb (Houseman), 2; Mr. Alex. M'Innes's b g Cangon, 6 yrs., 7st 12lb (A. M'Carthy), 3. Other starters: Chester Belle, 9st 5lb; War Cry, 7st 7lb; South Head, 7st 4lb; Chaperon, 7st 4lb; Bluey, 6st 12lb; Athos, 6st 10lb; Miss Chance, 6st 7lb; Lady Olive, 6st 7lb; Simmer King, 6st 7lb; Oliva, 6st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v South Head, 4 to 1 v Query, 6 to 1 v Lady Gnaroo, 7 to 1 v Cangon, 8 to 1 v Chaperon, 10 to 1 v others. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m 17¼s.

Final Handicap of 40 sovs, 7f.—Mr. J. Roarty's g g Carnival, by Cobbity—Marplott, aged, 9st 5lb (D. M'Carthy), 1; Mr. H. Markham's br m Plume, aged, 7st 7lb (Tyler), 2; Mr. J. Reynold's ch g Peter, aged, 8st 12lb (Chater), 3. Other starters: Rednefed, 8st 2lb; Hush, 7st 7lb; Kingsdale, 7st 7lb; Irondale, 7st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 4 v Carnival, 7 to 4 v Peter, 8 to 1 v Plume, 10 to 1 v others. Won easily by four lengths. Time, 1m 32s.

EPSOM RACES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Cold and showery weather prevailed at Epsom, and the meeting was poorly attended. In the Jumpers' Flat Race Eugene was shaky in the betting, and after the race the stewards asked the owner and the jockey for explanations, which were accepted. Chestermere just beat the favourite, Kazoo, in the Trial Handicap, but a protest for boring proved fatal, and the race was awarded to Kazoo. Details:—

Trial Handicap, 5f.—Mr. Roberts's Kazoo, by Harmonist—Lucy, 8st 7lb (J. Grattan), 1; Mrs. Moffat's Mat, 7st 8lb (M. Carslake), 2; Mr. Smith's Chestermere, 8st 6lb (B. Carslake), disqualified. Other starters: Florist, 9st; Elgin, 8st 12lb; Lady March, 8st 10lb; Goldlock, 8st 7lb; Chiss, 8st 3lb; Goldfinch, 7st 4lb; Red and White, 7st 2lb; Kingbolt, 7st 2lb; Fly, 6st 13lb; Irish Moss, 6st 10lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v Kazoo, 4 to 1 v Lady March, 6 to 1 each v Florist, Goldlock, and Chestermere, 10 to 1 v others. Chestermere won by half a head, with Mat a bad third. Goldlock was fourth, and Red and White last. Time, 1m 4s. A protest against the winner for boring was upheld, and the race awarded to Kazoo.

Hurdle Race, 2m.—Mrs. Clifton's Glencoe, by Earl of Richmond, 10st 7lb (Clifton), 1; Mr. Dunn's Flashlight, 9st (J. M'Namara), 2; Messrs. Lynch and Cohen's Watchmaker, 10st 5lb (A. Skirving), 3. Other starters: Anchor, 10st 5lb; Tara, 9st 12lb; Dewdrop, 9st 5lb; Confusion, 9st 2lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v Glencoe, 4 to 1 v Dewdrop, 5 to 1 each v Watchmaker and Confusion, 6 to 1 v Anchor, 8 to 1 v Flashlight. Won by half a length, a bad third. Confusion was fourth, and Tara last. Time, 3m 57½s.

Welter Plate, 6f.—Mr. Swan's Conclusion, by Vala-la—Fari, 7st 10lb, including 1 lb over (P. King), 1; Mr. Nelson's Glenallen, 9st 2lb (G. Wheeler), 2; Mr. Ryan's Thoughtful, 7st 7lb (Fisher), 3. Other starters: Coongaloon, 8st 8lb; Dodona, 7st 8lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Conclusion, 5 to 2 v Dodona, 4 to 1 each v Thoughtful and Glenallen, 5 to 1 v Coongaloon. Won by a length and a half, a length between second and third. Dodona was fourth. Time, 1m 17s.

Welter Purse, 6f.—Mr. Nelson's Pierus, by Haut Brion—Uuma, 7st 10lb (C. Cooper), 1; Mr. Bailey's Loch Fyne, 8st 2lb (W. Bailey), 2; Mr. Rennison's Aggressor, 7st 13lb (A. Smith), 3. Other starters: Cyrus, 9st 3lb; Gilda, 9st 3lb; De-la-Rey, 9st; Alfreda, 8st 7lb; Invergordon, 8st 4lb; Miss Tostig, 8st; Revolt, 7st 13lb; Fair Play, 7st 11lb; Tribune, 7st 11lb; Carronade, 7st 11lb; Vanadium, 7st 10lb; Clarionet, 7st 8lb; Marsh, 7st 8lb; Rock Crystal, 7st 7lb; Finality, 7st 7lb. Betting: 4 to 1 each v Vanadium and Loch Fyne, 7 to 1 v Carronade, 10 to 1 v others. Won by two lengths, four lengths between second and third. De-la-Rey was fourth, and Gilda last. Time, 1m 18s.

Jumpers' Flat Race, 1m 3f.—Mr. Martin's Waibi, by Tostig—Spray, 11st 2lb (H. Wool), 1; Mr. Thomas's Boss Croker, 10st 3lb (W. Redfearn), 2; Mr. Mitchell's Mekah, 8st 6lb (W. Bennett), 3. Other starters: Eugene, 9st 3lb; Petherton, 9st; Inquisitive, 8st 13lb; Cardoon, 8st 9lb; Lady Kenmare, 8st. Betting: 3 to 1 v Inquisitive, 4 to 1 v Melody, 6 to 1 v Petherton, 7 to 1 v Cardoon, 10 to 1 (at first 2 to 1) each v Eugene and Waibi. Won by two lengths, four lengths between second and third. Petherton was fourth, and Lady Kenmare last. Time, 2m 31½s.

Mordialloc Handicap, 1m.—Mr. O'Donoghue's Bail, by Padlock—Harbour Trust, 6st 13lb (W. Bennett), 1; Mr. Merry's Rhapsody, 8st 5lb (C. Wilson), 2; Mr. Wilkinson's Difference, 8st (B. Carslake), 3. Betting: 5 to 4 on Difference, 2 to 1 v Rhapsody, 3 to 1 v Bail. Won by four lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 1m 45s.

ALBION PARK PICNIC RACES.

ALBION PARK, Wednesday.

The annual picnic races were held here to-day, and though the weather was wet were a great success. Results:—

Brush Hurdle Race.—Winston, 1; Peer, 2. Ten started.

Opening Handicap.—Benevento, 1; Wiseacre, 2. There were six starters.

Trial Handicap.—Laird, 1; Tilly, 2. Eight started.

Albion Park Handicap.—Atlantean, 1; Dervish, 2. Three started.

Hack Race.—Manrico, 1. There were six starters.

Farewell Handicap.—The Laird, 1; Wiseacre, 2. Eight started.

MAITLAND HOSPITAL RACES.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The following weights have been declared for the Maitland Hospital races, to take place on Saturday:—

Flying Handicap, 6f.—Pleasure, 9st 9lb; Gold Lace, 9st 4lb; Waterworks, 9st 4lb; Abe, 8st 13lb; Boy Joe, 8st 12lb; Tester Bay, 8st 3lb; Valnaut, 8st; Cydnic, 7st 5lb; Chronograph, 7st 5lb; Athos, 6st 7lb; Lady Chloe, 6st 7lb.

Ladies' Trophy, 6f.—Sweet Kitty, 11st 7lb; Georgina, 9st 5lb; Encoma, 9st 5lb; Cronge, 9st 5lb; Lord Boyle, 9st; Oriental, 9st; Tattoo, 9st; Nomad, 9st; Croxdale, 8st 12lb; Coal King, 8st 12lb; Phil May, 8st 12lb; Nicely, 8st 10lb; Bellford, 8st 4lb; Ellesmere, 8st 2lb; Recollect, 8st 2lb; Irondale, 8st 2lb; Dalliance, 8st 2lb; Sinless, 8st; Grannie, 8st; Lady Winston, 8st; Sauce, 7st 12lb; Lady, 7st 12lb; Spinal, 7st 12lb; Good News, 7st 12lb; Grateful, 7st 11lb; Lachlan, 7st 7lb; Eppie, 7st 7lb; Jessie Moss, 7st 7lb; High Street, 7st 7lb; Sir Roland, 7st 7lb; Amodra, 7st 7lb; Boy Jim, 7st 7lb.

Hospital Handicap, 1m.—Haloya, 9st 12lb; Gold Lace, 8st 7lb; Waterworks, 8st 7lb; Abe, 8st; Isidore, 8st; Automatic, 7st 8lb; Valnaut, 7st 2lb; Cydnic, 6st 7lb; Chronograph, 6st 7lb.

Park Handicap, 6f.—Clan Stuart, 9st 5lb; Georgina, 9st 5lb; Cronge, 9st 5lb; Nomad, 9st; Croxdale, 8st 12lb; Coal King, 8st 12lb; Phil May, 8st 12lb; Nicely, 8st 10lb; Belford, 8st 4lb; Ellesmere, 8st 2lb; Lord Harbin, 8st 2lb; Recollect, 8st 2lb; Dalliance, 8st 2lb; Sinless, 8st 2lb; Sauce, 7st 12lb; Noble Boy, 7st 9lb; Eppie, 7st 7lb; Lachlan, 7st 7lb; Jessie Moss, 7st 7lb; Popular, 7st 7lb; Fusilette, 7st 7lb; Wilodah, 7st 7lb.

Final Handicap, 6f.—Field Gun, 12st 7lb; Metal Lace, 12st 7lb; Automatic, 12st; Cangon, 11st 8lb; Redriefed, 11st 7lb; Clan Stuart, 10st 12lb; Cronge, 10st 12lb; Encoma, 10st 12lb; Tattoo, 10st 7lb; Nomad, 10st 7lb; Ellesmere, 9st 7lb; Irondale, 9st 7lb; Grannie, 9st 7lb.

CYCLING AND MOTORING.

WALTER RUTT ENGAGED.

THE GERMAN CHAMPION SPRINTER.

SAILS FOR SYDNEY TO-DAY.

After much negotiation per cable, Mr. T. D. Scott, the secretary of the Summer Nights' Amusements, Limited, yesterday afternoon received a final cable from Walter Rutt, the famous sprinter and champion of Germany, accepting an engagement for an Australian racing tour, and notifying the Sydney promoters that he would leave Marseilles in the Orizaba to-day. The boat will also carry Thorwald Ellegaard, three times winner of the world's championship, and the meeting between these two famous sprinters will be a great treat for the patrons of the November Carnival on the Sydney Cricket Ground. Ellegaard's engagement was definitely announced some days ago, but the promoters had almost given up any hope of securing the presence of Rutt, who stated that he would not visit Australia except in company with Henri Mayer, the champion of Holland. On Monday Mr. Scott sent a special cable to Rutt, increasing the promoters' offer, promising liberal expenses, and pointing out the rich prizes that were to be offered this season, provided the German champion was prepared to race when and where required. The offer evidently tempted Rutt, for, as stated, he cabled his acceptance. With Rutt and Ellegaard engaged, the Sydney promoters will have the two leading riders of last season's European racing, for in all the big events Rutt was second only to the great Ellegaard, so they will have an opportunity of fighting their historic battles over again in Australia in the two big events of the November Carnival, the Sydney Wheel Race and the Orient Plate. Both Ellegaard and Rutt are strong riders, and hold their condition well, and will not require long work to put them at their top form, as they come straight from the European racing tracks, and with ordinary care must give a good account of themselves. Although practically the first of the big carnivals, the November meeting will produce some fine racing, as in addition to Ellegaard and Rutt, the American crack sprinter, Ivor Lawson, will be here, and he will put up a hard fight against the European cracks, for he showed his mettle when he met them at the world's championships. Our own crack sprinter, Don Walker, will be here in time for this meeting, and with his experience on the American and European tracks, should have a better chance against his formidable rivals than he had last season. A team of American handicap riders will also be coming out, and will fight the local riders for the big handicap money.

The sprint races this season should eclipse anything that we have seen hitherto in Australia.

SYDNEY BICYCLE CLUB.

The above club intends running off a five miles handicap road race on the 15th proximo over the Homebush course. The event is open only to members, but as the club is one of the largest in Australia an exciting contest is certain to result. Already the nominations up to date are far ahead of any previous entries, and if the day for decision of the race is fine one of the best club races of the season will be witnessed. The club announces that the winter billiard tournament, which has reached the third stage, will be resumed shortly, when H. J. Diamond will meet W. O. Goss, and A. Diamond A. H. Pettifer. Mr. Starey and Mr. W. Beet have got a bye.

THE 50 MILES' SPEEDWELL ROAD RACE.

The New South Wales Cyclists' Union, under whose auspices the above race is to take place, announce that several competitors have formed the impression that motor pacing will be allowed throughout the contest. Such an idea, however, is altogether wrong, as the rules governing the event distinctly state that no pace other than that provided by single cycles will be permissible. It is, moreover, the intention of the officials controlling the race to promptly disqualify any competitor who acts contrary to the rules in respect of the pace arrangements. The decision of the promoters of the race to restrict the pacing to single cycles meets with the general approval of most of the competitors, as it is not every rider that can afford the luxury of motor pacing, and it is admitted that any cyclist who could secure motor pace would have an exceptional advantage over those who could not secure the assistance of the petrol-driven cycle. The race is evidently extremely popular this year, as already the number of entries obtained is almost a record. The final day for acceptances has been definitely fixed for Saturday next, after which no papers will be received. Entries must be forwarded to Bennett and Wood, Market-street, before the day of closing. The contest will be decided this season over the Homebush-Windsor course, this route being recently inspected by Mr. M'Intosh and Mr. Carroll, of the New South Wales League, and pronounced by them as perfect.

The following are the results of midget cycling races held at Birchgrove Park:—

Midget Championship.—A. Haydon, 1; N. Bearpark, 2; J. Kain, 3.

Handicap.—N. Bearpark, 10yds, 1; A. Haydon, scratch, 2; E. Wensberg, 75yds, 3; A. Voss, 20yds, 4; A. Cruwys, 35yds, 5.

ATHLETICS.

ST. ALOYSIUS' SPORTS MEETING.

The fifteenth sports meeting of the St. Aloysius' Athletic Club was held at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday in bitterly cold weather. Heavy rain, which fell shortly after 2 o'clock, no doubt, kept many intending spectators away, and also so interfered with the course of events as to render a postponement in some cases necessary. Other than this the lengthy programme was got through satisfactorily, the hon. secretary, Mr. M. J. Hackett, having a lot to do, and doing it well. The officials were:—President, the Rev. the Rector; committee, Rev. W. J. Ryan, S.J., Messrs. F. E. M'Elhone, Geo. C. Curtis, A. B. Regan, D. Sheehy, J. d'Alpuget, M. J. Hackett; judges, Rev. M. A. Flemming, Dr. M. O'Gorman Hughes, Messrs. L. Byrnes, A. Coffey, L. Clifford, C. A. Olliffe; time-keepers, Messrs. W. T. Kerr, E. J. Hollingdale; starter, Mr. P. Flemming; hon. handicapper, Mr. C. A. Olliffe. The following were the results:—

Kicking Football—Senior.—J. d'Alpuget (57 1-6yds), 1; A. Regan, 2; D. Sheehy and F. E. M'Elhone, equal, 3.

Kicking Football—Junior.—L. Allen (50 1-6yds), 1; Arthur Sharland, 2; V. Regan, 3.

Throwing Cricket Ball—Senior.—C. Howard (90 1-3yds), 1; J. d'Alpuget, 2; A. Regan, 3.

Throwing Cricket Ball—Junior.—Arthur Sharland (75yds), 1; V. Regan, 2; Geo. Curtis, 3.

100yds championship seniors: M. J. Hackett, 1; J. d'Alpuget, 2; A. Regan, 3. Time, 10½s. Juniors: T. Roche, 1; L. Allen, 2; G. Curtis, 3.

100yds College Choir Handicap: G. Donnellan, 15yds, 1; J. Doyle, 6yds, 2; H. Carter, 1yd, 3.

Sack Race: V. Regan, 1; F. Regan, 2; M. Farley, 3.

100yds Handicap: Final—G. Curtis, scr, 1; L. Allen, scr., 2; H. Carter, 1oyds, 3.

75yds Handicap, 12 and under: G. Donnellan, 10yds, and P. Curtis, 9yds, dead heat, 1; E. Rogers, 8yds, 2.

120yds Junior Hurdle Race: F. Casey, 1.

All Schools, 220yds: H. Kenna (St. J.), 1; M. J. Hackett (S.A.C.), 2; J. d'Alpuget (S.A.C.), 3.

Bicycle Race, 1m: H. Daley, 30yds, 1; A. Mulligan, 40yds, 2; E. M'Fadden, 60yds, 3.

220 yds Handicap: First heat—V. Regan, 45yds, 1; T. Roche, 32yds, 2; H. Carter, 45yds, 3. Second heat—A. Regan, 32yds, 1; L. Allen, 2; J. Wilson, 40yds, 3.

Obstacle Race: L. Allen, 1; Rogers, 2; M. Farley, 3.

15yds Handicap, 15 years and over: First heat—J. Wilson, 28yds, 1; A. Regan, 16yds, 2; T. Howe, 25yds, 3. Second heat: C. Howard, 1.

Egg and Spoon Race: E. McFadden, 1; A. Mulligan, 2; J. Wilson, 3.

Siamese Handicap: G. Curtis and A. Regan, 5yds, 1; V. Regan and L. Allen, 5yds, 2; T. Roche and H. Daly, 7yds, 3.

Obstacle Race, seniors: J. Wilson, 1; A. Regan, 2.

100yds ex-Students' Handicap: Final—H. Miller, 1; A. D. Foley, 10yds, 2; H. Rose, 12yds, 3.

C.Y.M.S. 220yds Handicap: G. Widmer, 1; D. Carroll, 2; R. G. McDonald, 3.

440yds Handicap: T. Roche, 50yds, 1; H. Carter, 80yds, 2; L. Allen, 45yds, 3.

THE KING'S SCHOOL SPORTS.

The 24th annual meeting of the King's School Athletic Club was held on the Parramatta Cricket Ground yesterday afternoon, when there was a large gathering. The various races were well contested. During the afternoon a band played a number of selections, and Mr. Renshaw and his pupils gave an interesting display of gymnastics. The School Challenge Cup was won by E. W. C. Gregory, with 19 points. At the conclusion of the racing the prizes were presented by Mrs. Champion. Following is the result of the various events:—

100yds Championship (Open).—E. W. C. Gregory, 1; H. L. Cranswick, 2; J. A. Gardiner, 3. Time, 11s.

120yds Handicap (under 15).—A. R. Metcalfe, 6yds, 1; G. D. Scholefield, 11yds, 2; L. C. Harvey, 5yds, 3. Time, 14 3-5s.

300yds Maiden Handicap.—R. Barnes, scr., 1; J. A. Ryrie, 9yds, 2; H. Arnott, 9yds, 3. Time, 36 3-5s.

High Jump (under 15).—L. Harvey, 1; height, 4ft 4in.

220yds All Schools (School Championship).—R. Lord (St. Joseph's College), 1; H. L. Cranswick (The King's School), 2; E. W. C. Gregory (The King's School), 3. Time, 24 2-5s.

220yds Handicap.—J. Moore, 17yds, 1; C. Hicks, 13yds, 2; A. R. Metcalfe, 20yds, 3. Time, 25s.

Potato Race.—H. Scott, 1; D. Felton, 2.

150yds Handicap (Choir).—J. A. Ryrie, 5yds, 1; H. R. Fenner, 5yds, 2; J. M. Irving, 3yds, 3.

Sack Race.—D. Felton, 1; K. Henry, 2.

100yds Handicap (under 13).—L. Campbell, 9yds, 1; A. D. Mitchell, scr., 2; S. Campbell, 9yds, 3.

100yds Championship (under 15).—D. M. Shelley, 1; S. F. Mort, 2; C. L. Harvey, 3. Time, 12 2-5s.

120yds Hurdles.—R. M. King, owes 2yds, 1; F. R. Godson, owes 2yds, 2; E. W. C. Gregory, owes 15yds, 3.

Rescue Race.—R. H. Barnes, 1.

Teams' Race, 100yds.—S. F. Mort, A. R. Metcalfe, J. Lloyd, A. R. Reynolds, and V. R. Rogers, 50yds, 1; R. H. Burnell, J. B. Egan, D. M. Shelley, C. F. Scott, and H. Debenham, 40yds, 2.

440yds Handicap.—E. W. C. Gregory, 2yds, 1; G. S. Gem.-Smith, 20yds, 2; R. H. Barnes, scr, 3. Time, 56 1-5s.

100yds Old Boys' Handicap.—R. Mathews, 7yds, 1; V. Futter, scr, 2.

Three-legged Race.—Ryrie and Irving, 1; Kendall and Scott, 2.

100yds Handicap.—K. Henry, 13yds, 1; J. A. Ryrie, 5yds, 2; J. A. Gardiner, 8yds, 3. Time, 11 1-5s.

Mile Handicap.—R. M. King, 20yds, 1; S. J. Brennan, scr, 2; E. H. Pearce, 170yds, 3. Time, 5m 1[illegible]. This was a splendidly contested race.

Consolation Race.—Arnott, 1; Gardiner, 2.

Kicking Football (Senior).—J. A. Ryrie, 1; Edmonds, 2. Long kick: Gardiner, 58yds 6in.

Kicking Football (Junior).—A. R. Metcalfe, 1; A. B. M'Credie, 2; P. Doyle, 3.

High Jump (Senior).—Edmonds, 1; R. Bell, 2; Boyd, 3.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—D. Pearce, 1; F. B. Godson, 2.

Long Jump.—Gemmell Smith, 1; Edmonds, 2; Bell, 3.

Challenge Cup (to be won three times consecutively).—E. W. C. Gregory. Previous holder, H. C. Osborne.

SPORTS CARNIVAL.

According to announcement in another part of this issue a Darktown Sports Carnival will be held in Rosebery Park Racecourse on Saturday next, the proceeds of which will be devoted towards the benefit of the poor of Botany and North Botany.

GOLF.

ROYAL SYDNEY G.C.

The associates played their sixth and final match against bogey yesterday. It was won by Mrs. G. E. Fairfax, who secures the trophy presented by Mrs. Taylor Young for the best four bogey return for the season.

The following are the teams for the interclub matches on Saturday:—

PARRAMATTA v HUNTER'S HILL.

A Division at Parramatta, B at Hunter's Hill.

Hunter's Hill.—A Division: F. Blaxland, N. F. Christie, C. L. Mackenzie, C. T. Metcalfe, C. Pearson, K. S. Broad, F. A. A. Russell, W. A. Windeyer. B Division: T. C. Allen, V. Le Gay Brereton, W. Leigh, T. Hackland, H. G. Kilby, R. C. Lethbridge, G. W. Phillips, R. J. Roberts. Emergencies: H. D. Walsh and Dr. Lloyd.

Parramatta.—L. J. Berckelman, Dr. Bowman, Dr. W. S. Brown, W. J. Morry, A. F. Jacob, G. C. Scouller, D. J. Thomas, F. A. Thorpe. B: H. R. Cowper, H. A. Langley, A. J. Metcalfe, S. T. Oakes, S. Perry, J. C. Rankin, F. W. Todhunter, J. Wilson. Emergency: W. H. Beat. The above are in alphabetical, not playing, order.

CONCORD v STRATHFIELD.

A teams at Concord, B at Strathfield.

Concord A: R. Neil, L. Keep, A. Orr, S. Cotton, J. Rowley, Dr. E. Blaxland, Dr. E. R. Magnus, and Dr. H. G. S. Warren. B: R. W. Mackellar, Dr. Frizell, D. C. M'Virar, T. W. Garrett, A. C. Rees, Dr. Mills, Dr. R. H. Jones, G. G. Johnson.

Strathfield A: R. S. Godbolt, C. Hope, W. Wickham, H. F. Kent, W. B. Fairfax, Dr. Littlejohn, A. L. Mullens, W. Pilley, B. J. S. Adams, J. O. Anderson, F. D. Layton, Dr. Hetherington, F. K. Satchell, F. P. Ford, A. R. Nott, S. A. Thompson. Emergency, Dr. H. Browne.

MARRICKVILLE v DOBROYDE.

A teams at Marrickville, B at Dobroyde.

Marrickville A team: D. G. Soutar, O. H. O'Brien, J. E. Stokes, C. H. Caswell, Robt. Aitken, A. Trevor Jones, H. Wolstenholme, Dr. T. S. Kirkland. B team: T. J. Aldcorn, E. J. Doran, Wm. Vicars, Dr. W. F. Litchfield, F. Cowley, H. A. Richardson, Dr. F. P. Sandes, Dr. Sydney Jones, jun. Emergencies: Dr. R. B. Wade, J. C. M'Causland, E. W. Beake.

Dobroyde A: Dr. R. J. Pope, R. C. Monday, F. M'Leod, G. B. Robertson, D. Logan, A. Yabsley, T. Griffiths, C. Mason. B: H. Moses, G. H. Pike, J. Little, A. Fisher, E. Hayes, J. M'Credie, N. Marr, and I. Mitchell.

CRICKET.

BALMAIN AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The draw for the second round of matches in connection with the Balmain and District Cricket Association competitions resulted as follows:—A division: Endeavour A v Ultimo, at Ultimo; Rozelle v Union Box, at Keep's paddock, Leichhardt; Sugar Refinery v St. Elmo, at Five Dock; Balmain Earlsbrae v Pyrmont Hampden, at St. Elmo's ground. B division: Pyrmont Juniors v Sugar Refinery B, on Pyrmont Hampden's wicket; Drummoyne Borough v Fernleigh, at Drummoyne; Central Mission v Leichhardt Hill, on Epping Recreation Ground, at Forest Lodge; Melrose v Oxford, on the latter's wicket. C division: Five Dock Junior v Leichhardt Baptist, on Oldham's ground; Toxteth v Ormonde, at Easton Park; Five Dock v Elvira, at Five Dock; Endeavour B v Leichhardt Juniors, on latter's wicket.

The following have been selected to represent Northern Suburbs' Association's "A" Grade team against Moore Park Association, No. 2 wicket, Domain, on Monday:—H. Dettmann, R. Gilbert, P. Johnstone (Lane Cove), T. M'Mahon, W. Barnes (Narembeen), W. Hunt, E. Darling, W. Shipp (N. S. Juniors), C. Summerville (Hornsby District), J. Buchanan (Althea), L. Hansen (St. Leonards), C. Brainwood (Lane Cove, 12).

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

THE AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

At a meeting of the cricket committee of the South Australian Cricket Association last night, Messrs. J. Darling, C. Hill, and N. Claxton were appointed selectors of teams, and Mr. J. Darling was chosen to represent the association in the selection of the Australian Eleven.

INTERSTATE HURLING.

NEW SOUTH WALES v VICTORIA.

WON BY VICTORIA.

The return match between New South Wales and Victoria was played at the Agricultural Ground yesterday afternoon, and the result was a win for Victoria by 3 goals 9 points to 1 goal 5 points. There was a small attendance, due to the very unfavourable weather. A heavy downpour shortly after 2 o'clock and a bleak wind made matters very uncomfortable for players, and those who, as spectators, braved the elements. The ground was sloppy, and the players had some difficulty in keeping their feet; and as the foot, body, and hurly had to move in unison the exhibition of the game suffered accordingly. Nevertheless the display was full of interesting points, and was exciting enough for anyone.

The teams were:—

New South Wales: M. P. Furlong (captain), Foley, O'Neill, Hickey, Farrell, Brown, Doyle, Morrissey, M. O'Brien, J. Kennedy, M. Ryan, Morgan, Duffy, J. Ryan, Kiley, D. Kennedy, and J. Furlong; emergencies, Clara and J. O'Brien.

Victorian team: Quinn, M'Grath, Carey, Minahan, Barry, Rooney, Moloney, Cunningham, Porter, Ryan, Kane, Windsor, Crotty (captain), Coffey, Blood, Finnessy, and Kennedy.

Referee: Mr. Foster.

During the first quarter the Victorians, with the wind behind them, played much the better game; in fact, so much combination and coolness was shown that one could scarcely imagine that the visitors were the same team that were defeated badly on Saturday. The Victorians were in the home quarters during almost the whole of the first spell. M. P. Furlong, in goal, was kept busy defending, and though he did fairly good work in that respect at the close of the first period Victoria had scored 2 goals 4 points to New South Wales' nil.

In the second quarter New South Wales, now with the wind helping them, played up in much better form than previously, and had their opponents on the defensive. The visiting goalkeeper, Quinn, played a great game, and it was nothing but his pluck, coolness, and cleverness that stopped New South Wales from scoring heavily. Still, now and then Victoria took a hand in aggressive work, but they could not get through, and half-time came with a goal to New South Wales, the record being:—Victoria, 2 goals 4 points; New South Wales, 1 goal.

At the start of the third quarter the visitors put up a couple of points in quick succession. As in the opening period, the home team seldom got in the enemy's territory. At the same time, New South Wales were playing a better game collectively than formerly, but they could not come near the Victorians in that respect. Whenever the ball did get into Victorian ground it was quickly returned. The visitors showed a better knowledge of the fine points; they used their hurlies more freely, which was particularly noticeable on one occasion. Three of them passed the ball over their heads, and a hard shot for goal was only saved by the remarkable cleverness of the home goalkeeper. At three-quarter time the score was:—Victoria, 3 goals 7 points; New South Wales, 1 goal 1 point.

The final period was entered upon very "willing," though the play throughout was remarkable for the absence of anything approaching roughness. The game was keenly contested, both sides straining every nerve and every muscle. Though the visitors did some attacking, the home team had the better of this period. They did not, however, do any damage in the way of goals, and in the end victory rested with the Victorians by 3 goals 9 points to New South Wales 1 goal 5 points.

J. Ryan secured the solitary goal registered for New South Wales. M. P. Furlong, M. O'Brien, A. Brown, and J. Kennedy played up well. For Victoria, E. Kennedy scored two goals and Monaghan one, and Moloney struck one that was disallowed. The whole team played well.

The Victorians played much the better game. The home team were, however, at a disadvantage owing to the ball being 5oz over weight—it was the only one brought over by the visitors—and the New South Wales hurleys were not correspondingly heavy.

SAILING.

Entries and handicaps for the Sydney Flying Squadron's opening race on Saturday are as follows:—First heat: Southern Cross, 1m; Australian and Arawa, 2½m; Vision, 2¼m; Enid, 2¼m. Second heat: Keriki, scr; Desdemona, 1¼m; Donnelly, 2m; Vera, 2¼m; Qui Vive, 3¼m.

At the club's last meeting it was announced that a trophy in the form of a sewing machine had been promised, and a proposal was made that the crews competing in the race to which it is allotted should include at least one lady.

Mr. George Solomon has decided not to race either the Arline or the Mavis in the S.F.S. races during the season.

For the Middle Harbour Club's initial race of the season on Saturday a sealed handicap the following entries have been received: Genesta (A. H. Doddrey), Honda (H. Maxwell), Fig Tree (C. Lyons), Kiwi (A. M. Doddrey), Possum (G. Godson), Mimosa (J. Sharp), Kurnalpi (E. Croft), Hinemoa (G. Snow), Gipsy (A. T. Croll), Linda (W. Edwards), Nipper (N. Broughton). The prizes are £2, £1, and 10s respectively.

BOXING.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

A couple of interesting four-round spars are set down for decision at the above club's hall this afternoon. Cooper will meet Toohey, and W. Bowes will be tried out by Jennings.

AUSTRALASIAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

In the boxing championships at Christchurch, for the light weight in the first round Bayley, of Queensland, beat Richards, of New Zealand. Parbury, of New South Wales, beat Burcombe, of New Zealand.

Feather weight: Dowdridge, of Queensland, beat Griffin, of New Zealand. Thompson, of New Zealand, beat Tobin, of New Zealand.

The finals will be decided on Thursday.

BILLIARDS

WAVERLEY CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The results in the above tournament to date are:—P. Roberts (owes 10) beat R. W. Hughes (rec 30) by 53, J. Eveston (scr) beat Dr. Burge (rec 40) by 10, A. Chandler (rec 50) beat A. Keith (rec 75) by 58, W. Rummell (rec 50) beat J. H. Sands (owes 30) who retired, W. Allen (rec 40) beat E. Raines (rec 25) by 14, Knox (owes 10) beat C. Barkell (rec 50) by 42. F. G. N. Gibbes forfeited to J. F. Cox, W. M'Leod to H. C. Evans, A. J. Sands to J. R. Gibson, Dr. M'Lean to S. O. Irvine, Cohen to F. A. Hall, Fletcher to Fullwood, and D. Ross to W. A. Duval.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

N.S.W. GUN CLUB.

The 11th competition for the Gun Club Cup, value £50, to be won three times, took place at the above club's ground yesterday, with 14 competitors. The previous winners were W. F. Lawson, *Canuck, A. Brown, *Herbert (2), *Kosciusco, G. Clift, *Ian, and L. N. Walford (2). There is a compulsory £2 sweep attached to the cup, and members shoot off their club handicap marks. The number of birds is 15, those missing three must retire. The birds, a splendid lot, assisted by a favourable breeze, proved too much for the shooters, and they soon dropped out. At end of the 13th round only two—*Kosciusco (32) and *Bronson (23)—had scored 13, and they shot on, *Kosciusco securing his second "legin" at the 20th bird. *Canuck (24) scored 12 out of 15; all the other shooters having missed three, retired. First sweep: *Herbert (31), *Ian (27), and *Bronson (23) divided, killing four. Second sweep: *Herbert (31), L. N. Walford (27), *Canuck (24), and *Bronson (23) divided, killing five. *Assumed.

ROCKDALE COLLEGE.

OPENING OF NEW SCHOOL HALL.

On Friday night last a large number of friends assembled at the opening services of the new school hall of Rockdale College. It consists of a large lecture hall 60ft by 25ft, and two classrooms each 25ft by 12ft, with lavatories, etc., on the first floor. On the second floor are three large dormitories, with masters' rooms, bathrooms, etc. The Rev. C. T. Forscutt presided, and gave a short speech on the progress of the college, which made it necessary to erect such a large school hall. There was a varied programme of music, singing, recitations, etc. Dr. Alan Caroll gave a short address on education, especially as taught on the Continent of Europe. The Rev. C. J. Byng also gave a short speech, and presented, on behalf of the council and pupils of Rockdale College, a beautiful illuminated address to Mr. Harry Tidswell, who for years past has conducted a lay service at Christ Church, Bexley. Mr. Tidswell replied.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' PICNIC.

The Interlocking Branch of the Railway Department held its annual picnic at Richmond Park on Monday last. There were upwards of 700 persons present. During the day the Clyde Engineering Works' brass band discoursed music in the park, and dancing was carried on in the School of Arts. Sports were also conducted. At the banquet, after the toast of "The King" had been honoured, the chairman, Mr. T. Sayburn, proposed the toast of "The Railway Commissioners and Heads of the Department." This was responded to by Mr. C. Wilkin (interlocking engineer), Mr. Johnson (assistant interlocking engineer) proposed "Our Annual Reunion," which was replied to by Mr. G. Poole (secretary). The chairman proposed the toast of "Our Visitors," which Mr. W. Todd responded to. Mr. D. Childs proposed "The Ladies," which was responded to by Mr. C. Coogan. The picnickers reached Sydney again at about 7.30 p.m., after having spent an enjoyable day, largely due to the untiring efforts of the secretary, Mr. G. Poole, aided by a strong committee.

THE CHURCHES.

MEMORIAL TABLETS UNVEILED.

A ceremony, unique in the history of Congregationalism in this State, was performed last evening in the Ocean-street, Woollahra, Church, when tablets to the memory of four former deacons of the church were unveiled in the presence of a very large congregation. Those whose memory was thus honoured were the late Messrs. Samuel Young Burnett, William John Sky, Frederick James Palmer, and John Shearwin. The Rev. F. B. Cowling (minister) presided. The unveiling ceremony was performed by Mesdames T. R. Steel, Blumer, sen., Moore, sen., and Bozon. Appropriate addresses were delivered by the Revs. John Beckenham and Edward Moore, and Messrs. B. Short, T. R. Steel, Luke Blumer (Granville), and W. Westbrook (Mayor of Nowra).

OUR EARLY SETTLERS AND PATRIOTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—His Excellency the Governor deserves the thanks of the whole of the colonists for his kindly and valuable appreciation of the pioneers of the colony, and, coming as it does from one who, in his early days, faced danger many times and oft, and still has that inherent British pluck that inculcates in him a high appreciation of the determination of the early colonists, it certainly commends itself to the present generation. The statue of the late Sir John Robertson is but a small tribute to the late hon. gentleman's service, and it is to be hoped that the matter of recording the services of such patriots as Wentworth, Lang, Lowe, Robertson, Parkes, Dalley, Sutherland, and others will be the subject of the text books for the rising generation to study in our public schools. I do not propose to limit the books to those whom I have named, but, rather, let the record be of the most comprehensive character, and include explorers, and, as his Excellency suggests, the pioneers of the interior, such as the late Mr. Joseph Aarons, of Wellington, through whose efforts the West was opened up in the forties. I believe there is an Historical Society in Sydney, and I would deferentially suggest that their efforts might be directed in the way indicated, supported by a voluntary subscription by the public, and supplemented by a penny subscription by school children, so that the ancient "pro patria" may be honoured in these States as it is to-day in Japan.

I am, etc., TOM JONES.

It is estimated that the season's output of gold from the Klondike will be worth not less than £3,750,000, which will bring the total output since gold was discovered there to £17,000,000.

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"With the Russians East of Liao-yang" is the title of an interesting page of pictures in the "Mail."—Advt.

SOUTH HEAD ROADS.

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER FOR WORKS.

In Tuesday's issue of the "Herald" reference was made to the position of affairs existing at the present moment in connection with the South Head roads, the control and maintenance of which were for many years undertaken by the recently abolished South Head Road Trust. At the same time it was stated that there was a possibility of a conference on the matter taking place between the Minister for Works (Mr. C. A. Lee) and the municipal councils through whose territories the roads pass, with a view of coming to a satisfactory understanding as to their future management and upkeep. It was stated that Mr. O'Sullivan, ex-Minister for Works, suggested that the representatives of the different municipalities should meet him in conference over the matter, and that the conference had not yet taken place. The name of Mr. W. Bennett, ex-Minister for Works, should have been mentioned instead of that of Mr. O'Sullivan. It is quite true that Mr. Bennett did ask the councils to meet him in conference, but owing to the change of Government it did not take place.

Mr. Latimer, M.L.A., in a letter published in yesterday's issue of the "Herald" draws attention to the following statement in the "Herald" paragraph published last Tuesday:—"The present Minister for Works has renewed the suggestion for a conference of his predecessor," and says, "I also take exception to that statement, as it is groundless." Perhaps it is just as well to allow the Minister for Works (Mr. C. A. Lee) to say exactly what has taken place. The Minister said yesterday to a "Herald" representative:—"The statement published in the 'Herald' that I have renewed the suggestion of my predecessor that a conference should take place between me and the municipal councils interested is perfectly correct. I have renewed Mr. Bennett's request, because I wish to see the matter of the future management of the South Head roads placed on a satisfactory basis." The attention of the Minister was drawn to the fact that Mr. Latimer asserted the "Herald" statement was groundless. "I cannot see how that can be," observed Mr. Lee, "seeing that I have renewed Mr. Bennett's request for a conference. Indeed, I am awaiting replies from the councils to my suggestion. As the future management of the roads rests with the municipal councils, I thought it only right to ask them to confer with me on the question. They will have to take the roads over, so it will be a matter for consideration as to the condition in which they should be handed over to those bodies." In answer to the question as to whether or not he approved of the abolition of the South Head Road Trust, Mr. Lee replied that he did. He further explained that a sum of £100 had been authorised to be expended on a bad portion of the South Head-road at the termination of the cable tramway at Ocean-street, as well as to effect some repairs to the same road for about a quarter of a mile from the starting point of the Rose Bay electric tramway.

ABORIGINES AND HALF-CASTES.

THEIR TREATMENT IN NEW ZEALAND.

LETTER FROM MR. R. SEDDON.

Shortly after Mr. Carruthers became Premier, he wrote to Mr. Richard Seddon, Premier of New Zealand, asking for information as to the manner in which the aborigines and half-castes of the sister colony were dealt with. The Premier has, in reply, received the following communication:—

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of August 23 last, and, in reply, to inform you that there are no special powers of authorities dealing with aborigines and half-castes in this colony. The relations existing between the European and native races of New Zealand are, I suppose, unique in the history of colonisation. When its sovereignty over these islands was ceded to her Majesty Queen Victoria in the year 1840, her Majesty guaranteed to the Maoris the full, exclusive, and undisturbed possession of their lands, subject to the Crown's right of pre-emption over such lands as the native proprietors might be disposed to alienate; and in consideration thereof "Her Majesty the Queen of England extends to the natives of New Zealand her Royal protection, and imparts to them all the rights and privileges of British subjects."

The document by which these transactions were expressed and confirmed, known as "The Treaty of Waitangi," still remains the charter of the rights and liberties of the natives of New Zealand. It follows that the position of the native race, whose proprietorship of the whole of the lands of the country it inhabits has been recognised by the colonising power, stands upon an entirely different footing from that of a native race whose lands have been acquired by conquest. The natives of New Zealand were a fierce and warlike race, tenacious to defend their own interests, but, at the same time, exhibiting a strong desire to take advantage of the arts of civilisation.

On more than one occasion they have risen in arms against the Government, and have shown themselves to be gallant foes and faithful friends. Happily, for many years past all danger of insurrection has died out, and to-day the two races live side by side, under the same laws, and holding each other in mutual regard. The Maoris still hold large areas of land, some of which they occupy and cultivate, some is leased to European tenants, and the rest remains available for settlement as occasion requires.

They display great aptitude for modern studies. The Government provides and equips primary native schools in purely native districts, while in other localities the native children attend the primary public schools. There are several schools devoted to the higher education of natives of both sexes. One or two of the most promising pupils have passed on to the University, and qualified as doctors or lawyers.

They are specially represented in both Houses of Parliament, and take an intelligent interest in politics. The Minister of Native Affairs in the present Government is a half-caste, but sits for a European constituency; and the last remaining representative of the "War party," the grandson of the great chief, who was elected by the tribes to be their "King," has a seat in the Legislative Council, and is also a member of the Government.

Special legislation has been passed to deal with lands owned by the natives, and to conserve to them the balance now remaining in their hands, so that they and their descendants may never become landless. Acts have also been passed for the establishment in purely Maori districts of a simple machinery of self-government, by which they are enabled to frame regulations dealing with matters of social economy among themselves.

(Signed.) R. SEDDON.

AN HISTORIC RECORD.

The Government Printer, having executed an excellent photo group (to be placed in the chairman's room) of those gentlemen who have held office as chairmen of committees of the Legislative Council since the advent of responsible government, Mr. W. J. Trickett, the present chairman, yesterday entertained a few of those interested at lunch on to enable them to see the picture, and to present them with panel copies. Among those invited were Sir Francis Suttor (President of the Legislative Council), Hon. W. Walker, M.L.C., Mr. E. Allen, Mr. George Innes, Mr. Wilfred Docker, Mr. W. Jacob, and Mr. J. J. Calvert. The Hon. George Allen was the first chairman, and held office from 1856 to 1873. He was succeeded by the Hon. Joseph Docker, who acted from 1873 to 1875 and from 1880 to 1884; the Hon. Sir George Innes acted from 1875 to 1880; and then came the Hon. W. R. Piddington, who was appointed in 1885, and sat until 1887, when the Hon. A. H. Jacob was elected, and occupied the chair until 1900, when he was succeeded by the present chairman, the Hon. W. J. Trickett. All these gentlemen are deceased except Mr. Trickett, but they are well-known names in our State history. Mr. Allen held office for 17 years, and was the father of the late Sir Wigram Allen, who was for many years a member of the Assembly, where he occupied the positions of Minister for Justice and Public Instruction and of Speaker. He was also a member of the Council. Mr. Docker held the portfolios of Postmaster-General, Colonial Secretary, and Minister for Justice and Instruction. Sir George Innes held seats in both the Council and the Assembly, and was at various times Solicitor-General, Attorney-General, and Minister for Justice, and finally became Supreme Court Judge. Mr. Piddington was also in the Council and the Assembly, where he was Colonial Treasurer and also Chairman of Committees. Mr. Jacob served in the Council and the Assembly, and was Minister for Mines. Mr. Trickett for many years represented Paddington in the Legislative Assembly, and while there was Chairman of Committees, and also occupied the portfolios of Postmaster-General and Minister of Public Instruction. Since he has been in the Council he has frequently acted as President, and has been unanimously elected to the chair since the decease of his predecessor. Mr. Walker is the oldest member now alive since responsible government, having been elected to the Assembly in 1856. Mr. Calvert, I.S.O., the Clerk of Parliaments, has been on the staff of the Legislative Council from 1856 to the present date.

Sir Francis Suttor, for himself and the other guests, briefly thanked Mr. Trickett for his kind invitation, and expressed a hope that the present Chairman of Committees would long be spared to occupy the official position in the House, which he filled with so much ability and tact.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

The President took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PROPERTY CONSOLIDATION BILL.

Mr. Humphery presented a petition from the Moderator of the New South Wales General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Australia, praying that the Presbyterian Church Property Consolidation Bill, the progress of which was interrupted owing to the close of last session, should be restored to the paper.

The petition was received, and the bill was brought in and read the first time.

INFANT PROTECTION BILL.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL moved the second reading of this bill, and said that in 1902 a bill of a similar nature was introduced by Dr. Mackellar, and was pretty fully discussed. The hon. gentleman, however, thought fit to withdraw the bill, but in 1903 he introduced another measure which was passed and forwarded to the Assembly, where it was read the first time. It, however, lapsed, owing to the prorogation. The bill was, he thought, fairly discussed, and the present measure was almost identical with that of 1903. Its object was the same, maintenance of infants, particularly illegitimate infants, and it was on the same lines as the law which had been in existence in England for some years, and also the legislation in South Australia and Victoria.

Mr. HAWKEN said that the first time the bill was brought before the House he opposed it, and he again protested against it now, as being a measure for the suppression of human liberty. It would be the cause of the very offences it was intended to prevent, and he thought it would be better to refer the bill to a select committee, so that it might be properly drawn with regard to the latest idea as to the treatment of social questions.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: That is exactly what it is.

Mr. HAWKEN said he differed from the hon. gentleman, as one of the main clauses was based upon a law passed in the reign of George III.

Mr. TRICKETT said he did not adopt the view of the hon. member who had last spoken, because he thought legislation on the lines of the bill was very desirable. He suggested, however, that clause 4 should be amended so as to provide that the complaint should be in writing. He also thought attention should be given to clauses 5, 13, 18, 21, and 28.

Mr. FLOWERS said he would like to have a clear definition of clause 4. He thought it was necessary to provide that the consent of the woman should be obtained before anyone could complain in her behalf. (Hear, hear.) As the clause stood it would open a wide door for blackmailing, for it would be easy for any person out of pure vindictiveness to make a complaint without the woman's consent, and thus damage her character, and possibly that of the man also.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said he would consider any reasonable amendments in committee, because he wanted to make the bill as perfect as possible.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the second time.

The House having gone into committee, clause 4 was amended by inserting the words "with her consent," to meet the difficulty pointed out by Mr. Flowers. Another amendment was also inserted in the clause providing that the complaint should be in writing.

On the motion of Mr. Fosbery, clause 27, "Appeal to Quarter Sessions or District Court," was amended by the addition of the words "provided also that at the request of either party the infant shall be produced in Court."

The remaining clauses of the bill were agreed to without material amendment. The House having resumed, the bill was reported with amendments, and the adoption of the report was made an order of the day for next sitting day.

CITY BANK ACT EXTENSION BILL.

On the motion of Mr. Robson, the City Bank Act Extension Bill was referred to a select committee for consideration and report.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 8.5 p.m. adjourned till 4 o'clock on Wednesday next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past four o'clock.

DISEASE AMONG RABBITS.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS, in reply to Mr. Waddell, said that the stock inspector for the Carcoar district had been asked to report on the disease (said to be hydatids) which had broken out among rabbits at Lyndhurst. An official expert examination would be made.

COTTON PRODUCTION.

The MINISTER FOR MINES, in reply to Mr. O'Sullivan, said he was aware that efforts were being made in the northern portion of South Australia to cultivate cotton. In Queensland cotton had been grown successfully, but it was doubtful if more than £5 per acre was realised. Trials of cotton growing had been made in various parts of New South Wales at experimental farms and elsewhere, and excellent cotton had been produced. It was thought that the north-eastern coastal districts of New South Wales were the most suitable for its production.

ARREARS OF RENTS.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS, in reply to Mr. Kelly, said no instructions had been given for the issuing of notices by the Lands Department for arrears of rent. In special cases notices might have been issued.

BURNS' STATUE.

The CHIEF SECRETARY, in reply to Mr. Kelly, said he did not consider Robert Burns' statue should be placed in the Botanic Gardens; more appropriate places for it, or other statues, could be found within the city.

CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in reply to Mr. Daley, who asked was it a fact that the Government intended to complete the basement of the new railway station by contract, said that the late Government's decision to carry out the work partly by contract and partly by day labour would be adhered to. An estimate, without a bill of quantities, was prepared for the ground floor of the north and east wings, which amounted to £53,000, inclusive of the value of stone. No tender had yet been accepted, but the lowest received was £17,385 (excluding value of stone) below the estimate referred to.

THE LABOUR COMMISSIONERS.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in reply to Mr. Daley, said that the question of abolishing the Labour Commissioners was now engaging the attention of the Government. As regarded the annual saving that would be effected by their abolition, he remarked that the vote for 1903-4 for the commissioners was £7476.

EXPENDITURE ON WATER CONSERVATION.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in reply to Mr. Collins, who asked was the Minister aware that the £2000 per month at present being spent upon water conservation works and artesian bores was toally inadequate to complete the works within a reasonable time, said that the Government was carrying on the works on the same lines as its predecessors. As for an expenditure of £200,000 per annum for five years as provided for in the Water and Drainage Act of 1902, he could only say that the exigencies of the loan service must regulate the situation.

CLASSIFICATION OF PUBLIC SERVANTS.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL, in reply to Mr. Cohen, said that the Public Service Board had given great consideration to the classification of public servants in order to create a "skilled artisian" class, but there were difficulties in the way of making the alteration proposed, inasmuch as the Public Service Act only provided for the classification in the general division of officers not coming within the other divisions mentioned in the Act. He would, however, take an early opportunity of conferring with the board on the subject.

PUNT EMPLOYEES.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS said he would have inquiry made into the statement of Mr. Estell that a large number of employees on the Government punts on the northern rivers were working 84 hours weekly, while employees round Sydney were working only 48 hours.

SALE OF FERTILISERS.

On the motion of the Minister for Mines it was resolved—"That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a bill to regulate the manufacture and sale and prevent the adulteration of fertilisers."

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.
RAILWAY PASSES FOR UNEMPLOYED.

Mr. MacDonell moved the adjournment of the House "to consider the proposal of the Minister for Works for dealing with the unemployed." He said he was greatly surprised at the Minister for Works announcing the previous evening that he would issue free passes to unemployed in the city. The system in the past had caused trouble, it was unfair to men in the country, and it had cost a tremendous amount of money. Of the sum spent in passes during the existence of the Labour Bureau only one-third had been refunded. There was no doubt that a number of employers got labour cheap by the system. There was an ample number of men in the country to do the local work. They had waited for harvesting and shearing, and it was not fair that city men should be sent in a wholesale way to the country. Under the old regime there was a loss of £6000 yearly, but since Mr. Schey had been in the bureau there had been a great improvement. By sending men to the country the wages of all classes of bush labour had been reduced. He understood the Government had reduced 75 men from Prince Alfred Hospital, and men had also been reduced from Cockatoo Island and elsewhere. If the Government discharged men it should find something for them right on the spot. The issuing of passes for a month was only the thin end of the wedge, and would probably be carried to greater length. He trusted the Minister would find some other remedy for dealing with the trouble. It was the duty of the State to do something for men who were starving. It was better to shift sand than to send men from one end of the country to the other.

Mr. THROWER appealed against the decision of the Government on behalf of the unemployed themselves. He knew that any man obtaining a pass for the purpose of proceeding to the Macquarie electorate to look for work would be sadly disappointed. The same thing existed in most of the other Western districts. The deporting of the 40,000 unemployed which the Premier spoke about during the late elections to the country was a very false way of getting over the difficulty. The Government should face the difficulty in a proper and dignified manner. A conference was held some time ago to consider the question, and Mr. Carruthers had then said that the practical way of dealing with the unemployed would be to engage them on public works.

On a point of order being raised by Mr. Crick the Speaker allowed the motion to be amended so as to define that the intention of the mover was to question Mr. Lee's proposal with regard to issuing free railway passes to city unemployed to go into the country.

Mr. NIELSEN would not object to unemployed being sent from Sydney into the country districts, if there was work there for them to do, but, as a matter of fact, there was not sufficient work in the provinces for those already there, and the effect of such a proposal would be to reduce wages in the country districts.

Mr. GEORGE said he would support the Minister's proposal, provided the issue of railway passes was hedged round with safeguards. He would be sorry to see men sent into his electorate to look for work, as there was none there.

The MINISTER for WORKS said that, being a country member, he knew as much about the condition of affairs existing in the provinces as most members. Whilst the representatives of the Western district were crying out about the unemployed in their electorates, there were no workless men in his constituency. He did not propose to carry out a system that would deluge the country districts with unemployed men. His proposal came about in this manner: A deputation of unemployed men waited upon him, and stated it represented 400 workless men in Sydney and suburbs. They said they would be glad to get work to do, and he was asked, in the case of a number of single men, to grant them railway passes, to enable them to reach places where they knew they could obtain work. There was a marked difference between giving passes to such men, and doing the same in the case of men who wished to look for work. Now that the relief work had ceased in Sydney, he thought a limited opportunity should be afforded to bona fide men to go into the country. He told the deputation that in the case of single men, a limited number of railway passes would be given to them, provided they gave a guarantee from responsible persons that the applicants were of good character and steady men seeking to better their positions. He did not intend to carry out this proposal as part of a general system, and had restricted its operation to one month. If, within that time, it was found that fraud was being worked, or unreliable men were going out, he could cancel the arrangement. From all this members need not be alarmed about the action he had taken.

Mr. M'GOWEN said there were thousands of men willing to work, and he thought it was the duty of the Government to find employment for those people. The proposal of the Minister if carried out would be a serious matter for the country districts, and would only accentuate the evil as far as New South Wales was concerned.

Mr. CRICK said that one would think from the tone of several speakers that the Government was going to force men to take passes for the country. The man who took a pass was the man who thought he could get work. Just after he was appointed Postmaster-General a deputation of five, representing the unemployed, wanted to interview him. He had five jobs prepared by his overseer when the five delegates arrived. They were better dressed than he was. He told them they could put on old clothes and start work right away. They refused, as they felt it their duty to stand by the unemployed. These gentlemen formed part of the professional unemployed. (Laughter.)

Mr. NORTON: The movement must have managers. (Laughter.)

Mr. CRICK: Yes, and one of these movers was committed for trial the other day in connection with the last election. These were the men who howled at the Statue for work and prayed that they would never get it. He was never with his colleague, Mr. O'Sullivan, in his seven "bob" a day.

Mr. FEGAN: Never mind, you supported it all right.

Mr. CRICK: I had to. I was under the caucus. (Great laughter.) The working man now was the only man who would not work. Any man could get work as long as he did not want this seven "bob" minimum. The trouble was to get the professional unemployed to go to work. Last season they would not go to the country because they could not get seven "bob" a day. They were spoilt by the humanitarian feelings of Mr. O'Sullivan. If times were so bad and a man could not get £2 per week, he should work for £1, and even 10s, in preference to starving. There was too much of this minimum wage during the time he was associated with the Ministerial life of the State, and he was certainly not going to pander to this outside rebellious rabble cry, although he might have to answer for it later on.

Mr. MACDONELL: Would you take less for your professional fee?

Mr. CRICK: Yes. He was taking half of what he got some years ago. He remembered the afternoon these "Statue unemployed" stuck him up and robbed him of a scarf pin. (Laughter.) They were employed for a short time then. (Great laughter.)

Mr. O'SULLIVAN contended that the subject of the unemployed should be taken up as a broad public question, and not as a party matter. If the Government expressed a wish to appoint a committee of members of the House to assist Ministers with advice, he was satisfied they could claim the help of members from all sides of the House. There were tens of thousands of men, women, and children in this State on the verge of starvation. Ninety per cent. of the unemployed men were worthy people, and, therefore, deserved assistance. There were many good roadworks that could be carried out, and he trusted the Minister would have them proceeded with.

The motion was negatived on the voices.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE BILL.

The House having resolved itself into a committee of the whole, the Premier moved the expediency of bringing in a bill to regulate the meetings of the Public Works Committee and sectional committees thereof, and the fees, expenses, and charges payable to its members, and to suspend the powers and duties of any such committee for a specified period.

Mr. M'GOWEN said as he was not in favour of doing away with the Public Works Committee, and as the Premier did not propose to abolish the committee, but only to limit its powers, he should state what the restrictions would be.

The PREMIER said he proposed that the meetings of the committee should be suspended until June 30, 1905. (Cheers.) That was for the whole of the financial year. So far as he could see there would be no public works referred to the committee during this session; perhaps some works might be referred to it at the beginning of the next session, and they could very well defer the meetings of the committee until the close of the financial year. The committee had been appointed, and unless it got instructions of this character it might meet to elect a chairman, and to clear up arrears of the last committee. (Laughter.) Perhaps there were some reports the committee might feel itself capable of handling, and unless Parliament declared it should suspend operations it might feel it was under an obligation to do something. The bill provided that the committee should not meet while Parliament was sitting. He had always considered it was a serious mistake that while the House was sitting, a section of the members should be sitting somewhere else. The highest duty of a member of Parliament was to be in the House attending to the work of legislation. (Hear, hear.) It was also proposed to limit the amount of fees. (Hear, hear.) Last year the fees amounted to £4000, and unless some limit was put upon them they might go to £8000. They knew that in all well-managed companies directors were generally paid a certain amount fixed by the shareholders, and it was stated in the articles of association or otherwise, and while there was a fee per sitting there was also a maximum amount that could be charged. He did not propose to interfere with the fee per sitting, but that the amount of fees payable should not exceed £2000 in the financial year. So that if the fees at the rate of two guineas a sitting came to £3000 there would have to be a pro rata reduction. He did not intend to abolish the committee, because he recollected why Sir Henry Parkes had introduced the bill. The committee was formed for the purpose of collecting information for Parliament. Its work had been challenged, and it was open to criticism. The committee's place could be taken by a body of experts, but he thought the proper place for an expert was in the witness box. It should not be forgotten, too, that in this country experts could not be got to sit under ten guineas a day.

Mr. M'GOWEN admitted that the proper place to discuss that bill was on the second reading. There was no urgency for suspending the committee, for the simple reason that the committee could not meet until the House referred works to it for consideration. If the committee met it would be only for the purpose of electing a chairman, as the last committee had cleared up all arrears. The members of the last committee had never appointed any sectional committees, which disappeared when Mr. Cann got his Act passed in 1898. The question of limiting fees was a point open to argument.

The motion was agreed to and reported to the House. The bill was introduced and read the first time. The second reading was made an order for the following day.

CORONERS' JURIES.

Mr. WADE moved the second reading of the Coroner's Court Bill. He said that the proposal was to fix a certain limitation with respect to having a jury present on every occasion the coroner held an inquest. The recommendations were made principally on the grounds of public convenience and economy. In New South Wales the finding of a coroner's jury was no step at all towards the administration of justice. Another anomaly which existed here was in regard to the powers of inquiry arising out of cases of alleged arson. There was one proviso in the bill to the effect that if the Minister thought fit a jury could be summoned in special cases like the Sydenham railway accident some years ago.

Mr. GRIFFITH: On whom would the onus rest of asking for a jury? Would it not mean delay?

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said that a jury could be quickly arranged on representations by telegram to the Minister. Four-fifths of the cases, however, arose in the metropolis.

Mr. ESTELL: What about coalmining accidents?

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: They are provided for in the Coal Mines Regulation Act.

Mr. CANN agreed in many respects with the Attorney-General, but there were instances, and several had occurred in Broken Hill, where the coroner knew no more about a particular industry than he did of a pigsty, and but for the jury the facts required would not have been elicited.

Mr. LEVY rose to a point of order, and asked for the ruling of the Speaker as to whether the bill was in order, inasmuch as it proposed to materially alter the existing law without stating so either in the title or the body of the bill.

The SPEAKER ruled against the point of order.

The debate was adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 11.10 p.m. adjourned until 4.30 p.m. the following day.

THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.

THE SENATE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTERS.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The President took the chair at half-past 2 p.m.

SUPPLY BILL.

The Supply Bill was received from the House of Representatives.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of the bill.

Senator SMITH (W.A.) said the House was entitled to know what instructions had been given to Lord Jersey, the Australian representative on the Pacific Cable Conference. Until the Pacific cable was opened Australia was dependent on the Eastern Extension Cable Company's lines, and that company maintained a high rate of charges until it was threatened with competition consequent on the lowering of the rates. There was a saving to Australia of about £600,000 per year. He gave the history of the Pacific cable, and said it was to the interest of the eastern States to send cables by that route, because each State through which the message passed received its proportion of the terminal charges. If only a fair quota of the cables from New South Wales, Queensland, and Victoria were sent via the Pacific, the revenue would be sufficient to more than wipe out the deficiency in working.

Senator HIGGS (Q.) said that if South Australia, because of her position, sustained a loss by the taking away of some of the Eastern Extension Company's business, the Commonwealth should make it up.

Senator STEWART (Q.) complained that some of the lower paid officials in the Postal Department had had their allowances reduced.

Senator NEILD (N.S.W.) asked that the lower paid officials in the post-office should be paid fortnightly.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL promised that the grievances brought up should be forwarded to the proper quarter. With regard to the Pacific cable matter, the conference would soon take place in London, and all these matters brought up would then be considered.

The motion for the first reading of the bill was then agreed to, and the Standing Orders having been suspended, the bill was passed through all its stages.

ADJOURNMENT.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved—"That thet Senate at its rising adjourn until Wednesday, October 12."

Senator GIVENS (Q.) protested, and moved an amendment to substitute Thursday, October 6, for the date mentioned in the motion.

Senator HIGGS could not see why this House should adjourn because a no confidence debate was proceeding in another Chamber.

Senator STYLES (Vic.) opposed the amendment.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL asked that the amendment be withdrawn, and Senator Givens withdrew it.

The motion was then agreed to.

The Senate, at 4.20 p.m., adjourned until October 12.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 2 p.m.

THE ELECTORAL LAW.

The select committee on the administration of the electoral law was granted another month in which to bring up its report.

WANT OF CONFIDENCE.

The debate on Mr. Watson's motion of no confidence was resumed by Sir William Lyne.

The report will be found elsewhere.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House adjourned at 10.30 p.m. till the following day.

SOCIALISM.

The Rev. Ronald G. Macintyre delivered a lecture on socialism at St. Stephen's Church on Tuesday night. Dr. T. Storie Dixson presided.

The lecturer said the present condition of the struggle for existence made the social problem a very living one. The very progress of which they boasted had tended to make it all the keener, by equalising the conditions of life and the opportunity of advancement. It had brought more men into the fighting line, and correspondingly intensified the struggle for foothold. The inevitable condition of progress seemed to be the struggle for existence, and it was the raison d'etre of socialism to obviate such struggle. The lecturer asked, could that be done without fatal injury to the social organism? Socialism had spread with remarkable energy, and, to-day, it was the most living question in every industrial centre. It was not to be identified with social reform; it was social revolution, and was the attempt to overturn the present basis of social life, and build again from the foundation.

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ANGLICAN SYNOD.

TRIBUNAL FOR THE TRIAL OF CLERGY.

AN INTERESTING DEBATE.

The sessions of the thirteenth Anglican Synod of the diocese of Sydney were continued yesterday. The Archbishop, Dr. Saumarez Smith, presided, and opened the session with prayers. There was again a large attendance, including a number of visitors.

THE NEW BRITAIN MASSACRES.

On the motion of Mr. C. O. Burge, seconded by the Ven. Archdeacon Langley, it was resolved—"That this synod desires to convey its heartfelt sympathy with the Roman Catholic community in connection with the recent massacre in New Britain, and that his Grace the President be asked to forward the above resolution to the proper authority."

DEFINITION OF OFFENCES.

Canon Boyce moved—"That an ordinance for accepting and adopting a certain ordinance passed by the Provincial Synod, session 1904, intituled 'An ordinance to provide for the definition of the offences for which a clergyman may be tried,' be read a second time."

The motion was agreed to, and the ordinance was taken through committee without amendment.

TRIBUNAL FOR THE TRIAL OF CLERGY.

Canon Boyce moved—"That an ordinance for establishing a tribunal for the trial of clergymen licensed by the Bishop within the diocese of Sydney for offences, and for providing for and regulating the initiation and conduct of trial before and the proceedings under such tribunal, be read a second time." He explained that the new ordinance was rendered necessary by reason of the Church of England Constitutions Amendment Act of 1902, which rendered the old ordinance inoperative.

Mr. F. B. Wilkinson, M.A., said he wished to draw the attention of members of synod to the fact that instead of allowing the Bishop to decide whether a prima facie case had been made out against an accused clergyman, the proposed ordinance appointed a council of reference, consisting of five members, to be elected by the synod, and they would have the power of initiating proceedings and of sending on the accused clergyman for trial before the panel of triers. This was a most serious matter for the Church. It was a serious delegation of the prerogative of the Bishop. He left it to the synod whether the Bishop, in his high office, was not more fit to take a position of that kind than five members elected by the synod, august though it might be. (Applause.) It would give rise to a great many prosecutions. In the interests of the Church and for the peace of the Church, it should not be made easy for people to trump up charges against clergymen. The Bishop knew the difficulties under which clergymen laboured, the difficulties in their parishes, and he therefore ought to be able to say whether a prima facie case was made out against a clergyman or not. (Applause.)

Mr. F. E. M. Naughton said he endorsed practically all that had been said by the previous speaker. He wished to protest most strongly against the tenor of the proposed ordinance. It was a most mischievous enactment. (Applause.)

Mr. W. Russell, jun., M.A., proposed that the ordinance be referred to a select committee for consideration and report.

Senator Gould seconded the amendment. He thought, however, that it might be advantageous to discuss the ordinance somewhat more fully first. He was somewhat surprised that Canon Boyce had not drawn more clearly the distinction between the principles of the ordinance of 1868 and the ordinance now under consideration. Reasons might have been given for departing from the principles adopted in 1868. He believed there had only been one complaint under the old ordinance. There was a possibility of party feeling in the election of such a council as was proposed under the ordinance. He entirely dissented from the proposal to take the power out of the hands of the Bishop. (Applause.) They were not under the ordinance properly safeguarding their clergymen against complaints, and they were not safeguarding their Bishop with whom rested the appointment of clergymen. He hoped they would follow the maxim of hastening slowly. (Applause.)

Mr. C. O. Burge considered that scandal to the Church might be produced under such an ordinance, whereas when a matter came before the Bishop he might be able to settle the case at once without it becoming public. (Applause.)

Mr. Minter Taylor said the whole battle was centred round what was termed the prerogative of the bishop. It was a matter of whether a clergyman had fulfilled what was actually part of a contract. There was just as reasonable a chance of bias being on the side of the bishop as on the side of the proposed council. He would support the ordinance.

Canon Archdall asked whether one individual was less likely to err than five. The Lambeth Conference, which was a conference of bishops, deliberated with closed doors, and its reports of important matters did not reach the outside world until after the sessions. After quoting a number of instances of ecclesiastical veto, he urged that the veto of five men would not be likely to be used in any worse degree than in those cases. The ecclesiastical rights of the clergy were enforced because the courts were open. The laity wanted to be protected, and their rights could only be enforced after one man had allowed them to be enforced, and that one man, who belonged to a set of men who had ordained and licensed some thousands of clergy who were now celebrating masses in the Church of England. They had been licensed and ordained after having promised to administer the law of the Church and the realm as they have received it. That was very serious, and it was because of its seriousness that he felt the synod ought to take action and see that the Church in Australia did not go in the same way. (Applause.) They wanted to try what benefit men appointed by the Church would be in the administration of the law which now existed, as against the results of the one-man veto. (Applause.)

The Rev. R. E. Goddard said he would support the amendment to send the ordinance to a select committee. He repudiated any such fancy as that the clergy desired to be freed from the law of the tribunal ordinance. (Applause.) They had the same law as the Church had found satisfactory for the past 36 years, and he did not see the necessity for any change. He contended that despite the passing of the Church of England Constitutions Amendment Act, 1902, the old ordinance was still in force. (Applause and cries of dissent.) If that was not the case, then the diocese was in a very serious position. (Applause.)

Mr. W. R. Beaver urged that the second reading should be agreed to so that the ordinance might be taken into committee. He would like to see it amended in some directions. If the old ordinance had not been in existence a scandal would certainly have come upon the Church at one particular time. (Applause.)

Mr. D. H. Chisholm said the bishops and clergy were protected, but where was the protection for the laity? He would certainly support Canon Boyce's motion.

The Rev. Alfred Yarnold considered that the appointment of a council of reference to undertake the work usually done by the Bishop of the diocese was a change so serious that they should certainly hasten slowly and look at the matter from every possible point of view so that they might have an opportunity of doing the best not so much for the clergy only but for the Church. (Applause.) The powers under clause 2 might give three persons, perhaps prejudiced and ignorant persons, power to go marching up and down the diocese of Sydney seeking whom they might devour. (Applause.) He would support the amendment.

Mr. J. A. I. Perry, who supported the ordinance, contended that the new ordinance was far more liberal than the old one, and placed greater safeguards upon the clergy. He quoted the late Sir James Martin, who had expressed the opinion in a certain case that it would have been of great advantage if an ecclesiastical tribunal had existed, as in England, for the trial of clergy, rather than that they should be tried by a Bishop, although tribunals might show a tendency to err on the side of mercy. (Applause.)

Canon Boyce said it was of importance that the ordinance should be adopted at once. There was now no tribunal before which a clergyman could be cited for any breach of discipline. A clergyman might commit an offence and leave for England or elsewhere and the Archbishop would have no power to withdraw his license. They did not know when such cases might occur, and the Church should be prepared. (Loud aplause.)

The second reading was agreed to, the voting by "orders" being as follows:—

Clergy: Ayes, 28; noes, 21.
Laity: Ayes, 65; noes, 30.
Total: Ayes, 93; noes, 51.

The ordinance was taken into committee, and the Synod adjourned until 4 p.m. the following day.

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BURNELL-JONES.—September 23, at Muscliffe, Belgrave-street, Burwood, to Mr. and Mrs. Burnell-Jones—a son (stillborn).

MARRIAGES.

CURLEWIS—ANDERSON.—September 10, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. George Walters, Clive Pemberton, fourth son of F. C. Curlewis, of Stanmore, to Constance Mabel, fifth daughter of W. J. Anderson, of Bexley.

LOCKETT—MADDEN.—September 27, at St. Charles', Waverley, George H. Lockett, of Wagga, to Miss Mary Madden, Waverley, by the Rev. Father Kennedy.

DEATHS.

BURCHELL.—September 28, at her residence, No. 4 Wellesley-street, Summer Hill, Sophia, beloved wife of William Burchell, aged 71 years.

DOUGALL.—September 28, at her late residence, Lauriston, Penkivil-street, Bondi, Mary Mitchell, beloved wife of William Dougall. No flowers.

EDWARDS.—September 27, at Strathfield, Emily, eldest daughter of the late Benjamin Lloyd Edwards, of Molonglo.

MASON.—September 27, 1904, at Amwell Lodge, Boundary-street, Parramatta, Charlotte Ann Mason, widow of the late Edmund Mason, in her 70th year.

RICKARD.—September 28, at her residence, 482 Cook's River-road, Minna, the beloved wife of Albert Rickard (late of Alexander-street, Alexandria), aged 62 years.

RUMSEY.—September 27, from an accident, Edward H. W. (Harry) Rumsey, eldest son of Edward Rumsey, Hillingdon, Summer Hill.

IN MEMORIAM.

ARDILLE.—In fond remembrance of my dearly loved sister, who died September 29th, 1898, aged 23 years. Oh, for the touch of a vanished hand. Inserted by her loving sisters, Amy and Phyllis.

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Life and light were all in thee,
My true and faithful husband dear.

COLEBROOK.—In painful memory of this sad day on which twelve months ago passed out of my life for ever my dearly loved Dada, Edward A. Colebrook ("Ned"). Deeply mourned, and oh! how sadly missed by his grief-stricken daughter Myra.

Oh, little I thought when I kissed him good-bye,
'Twas the last parting between Dada and I.
The blow is hard, but I'll not complain,
For I know, with my Saviour, I'll see him again.

COLEBROOK.—In loving memory of dear Dada, Edward A. Colebrook (late cab proprietor), who died at his late residence, 136 Morehead-street, Redfern, September 29, 1903, aged 50 years. At rest. Inserted by his ever loving foster-son, Bertie.

DOLTON.—In sad but ever loving memory of our only darling (Davy), who fell asleep September 29, aged 4 weeks. Inserted by his fond parents, Richard and Rekka. A bud in heaven.

ERWIN.—In loving memory of my dear son and brother, Oswald Charles Erwin, who was accidentally killed (Strand Electric Lighting Company) on September 29, 1898. Inserted by his loving father and sisters, May, Maude, Flo.

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PROCTOR.—In loving memory of our dear father, Thomas Proctor, who died September 29, 1900; also our dear mother, Mary Ann Proctor, died September 29, 1873. Inserted by their loving daughters, Alice and Mary. Dead, but not forgotten.

SCHINTLER.—A token of everlasting love to the memory of our dear brother, George, who was accidentally killed at Adelong, September 29, 1902, age 24. So sadly missed and deeply regretted. Inserted by his affectionate sisters, Christina Burns and Ada Cichero. R.I.P.

SCHINTLER.—In affectionate remembrance of our dear uncle, George, who was accidentally killed at Adelong, September 29, 1902. A precious one from us is gone, a place is vacant in our home which never can be filled. Inserted by his loving nieces, Louisa and Ada Capel.

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AS OTHERS SEE US.

In another part of this issue under the Commonwealth heading we summarise a leader published by the London "Times" on the defeat of the Watson Government, in which the following sentence appears:—"All parties in Australia are so largely permeated by socialistic ideas that it is doubtful whether any combination of existing political groups can be trusted to offer a strenuous and unflinching resistance to the dangerous movement towards extreme forms of State socialism." We have no fault to find with the general contention that there is a dangerous movement towards extreme forms of State socialism; and the argument that "the dominant factor in the situation would seem to be the necessity of showing a resolute and united front to the policy of the Labour party" is exactly what the press in Australia has been using with all the force at its command. The comment as a whole is perfectly sound along those lines. But we must most earnestly protest against the statement that all parties in Australia are so largely permeated by socialistic ideas that effective resistance to the Labour attack upon individualism is doubtful. To argue so is to show ignorance of the fundamental facts; and thus to generalise upon insufficient data is to hammer out the half-truth which is the worst form of untruth.

The truth more fully rounded is that people in Australia have grown utterly weary of politics and are finding out that the politician is altogether too prominent a personage. An immense task is laid upon them in the development of the resources of a continent capable of sustaining thirty millions of people as easily as three millions, and the politician has been driving them into a series of blind alleys. The tendency has been to think that there is no way out; and the individual with a run, or farm, or business to look after, has concentrated his attention upon the principal thing—his own burden of Empire-building. The average Australian worth his salt has put politics second, and the hard work of establishing his economic footing first. This has meant that the Labour party with its organisation run by extremists has found a fine opportunity. Politics is the breath of its existence, and it is being marshalled like an army in the field. It is an army, among a population too busy with peaceful pursuits and the laying of foundations of nationhood to set up an army in self-defence. We say emphatically that the average Australian is no more a socialist than he is a disloyalist. The Labour party during the Boer war would have repudiated the Empire had it dared, but public opinion was too strong for it; and the truth then triumphantly vindicated is our reply to all who in the past have dared, or in the present now presume, to asperse our loyalty. Would the "Times" after Australia's share in the fighting for the flag on South African battlefields care to say that we are careless of Empire simply because the political success of the Labour party here has prevented our making a sufficient local defence against the evil days which may be coming? Yet there were men before the call came who confidently made the statement about our lack of love for the old country, which the "Times" now puts in another form in connection with socialism.

Parties in Australia are not so largely permeated with socialistic ideas that they cannot offer a strenuous and unflinching resistance to the extremists. As a matter of fact, the Labour party dare not appeal to the electors except on a platform of compromise which is little better than a denial of socialism. It is to be "little by little," and the people are to be gradually dominated if they cannot be immediately conquered. But the beginnings of a strenuous and unflinching resistance are to be found in each of the States, which is the best reply we can give to the "Times" statement. The people are awaking to the fact that they must grapple with the situation, and the farmers in Victoria have started a campaign against the socialism preached by Mr. Tom Mann at the behest of the Trades Hall, which is giving the extremists intense anxiety. In New South Wales a similar awakening is taking place, and South Australia has given signs of life. Queensland is in the hands of a Government which is certainly not pledged to socialism, and the Labour leader in the Ministry has made a retention of power possible because he is not a socialist. Should Mr. Reid have to make an appeal to the people because of an adverse vote on the present motion of want of confidence, there will be a further stirring in every State, and we believe he will be returned to power again with a substantial majority behind him.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

For the first time for fourteen years the railways of Victoria show a surplus, and the adjoining State may be congratulated that it has at last turned the corner of its deficits. It has been a long lane, and the cost of keeping in it is to be measured not by hundreds of thousands of pounds but by millions. In the report just published by the Railway Commissioners it is shown that the annual deficits in the fourteen years since the last surplus have aggregated four millions sterling, and this represents a substantial addition to the original cost. It has to be remembered also that a great deal of expenditure that should have come out of revenue, as with the renewal of rolling stock, was charged to loan account; and when the plant came to be overhauled so much had to be replaced that it was to some extent like arranging for the equipment of a new system of railways. This has, however, become a thing of the past since the new Commissioners took hold, and a new ordering of affairs has been introduced. Economies in expenditure and increases in revenue are revealed in every direction by the results of the year's working, and the percentage of expenses to gross revenue is reported to be the lowest since 1879. The fact that the surplus now established is hardly more than five hundred pounds need not be cavilled at in such connection. The supreme point is that it exists, and there is every reason to suppose it will appear in increasing amount next year. Victoria may claim in this as in so much else that it is not at all a question of amount but of principle. The railway accounts have been made to balance; and though critics will probably insist that the Commissioners have borne heavily upon their employees, the fact is that the Commissioners have been successful because they have placed the public first. The railways of any State are run primarily to serve the general taxpayer, and the great thing is to balance the accounts. This the Victorian Railway Commissioners have accomplished.

It is, of course, impossible to deal with the Victorian railway surplus without uneasy thoughts of our own deficit of £300,000 at the end of June last. We cannot help either the reminder that Victoria has taken the place occupied by New South Wales in other directions. She is running her State departments generally on two-thirds the revenue found by this State, and while extravagance has been the rule here economy has for some time been the rule there. So far as the railways are concerned, however, the comparison of revenue is against us. The net revenue obtained by the Victorian Commissioners is given at £1,516,274, while the New South Wales Commissioners could only show £1,177,473—a difference of over three hundred thousand pounds. But it appears that the interest charge to Victoria for the year is £1,515,755, while in our own case it is £1,484,149, though the Victorian loan expenditure is about equal to our own, say £42,000,000. While the difference is not great it is enough to note when surpluses have to be obtained. It may be argued, no doubt, that Victoria has not suffered as New South Wales has done, and that this State with favourable seasons will soon turn the corner. But the question goes deeper than the seasons. It is still a matter of management. The Victorian policy is the policy Mr. Eddy pursued in New South Wales so successfully, and politics are not allowed to influence, much less to govern, the situation. To that must we come if we are to see our railway accounts balancing on the right side, and it is a matter for congratulation on our own behalf that Victoria has at last been able to show the way.

THE YOUNG AUSTRALIAN.

A good deal of attention has been given in our correspondence columns lately to the young Australian, and his and her characteristics as they strike the attention of various critics have been candidly discussed. If the opinions expressed have erred on the side of frankness they have not been without their compensations, for the subject is worth understanding. It is not necessary to assume that the criticism is carping because it is unfavourable, or that it is too optimistic because it resents hypercriticism. The truth, as in all these cases, lies somewhere between the two, and if the subject is worth considering at all we must look at both sides of it. They are sufficiently expressed in two letters of our correspondents, Mr. Llewellin and Archdeacon White, who represent opposite views, and by other letters like that of "Australian Woman," which fill up something of the blank space left between. The firstnamed seems to think that the Australian boy is not all that might be expected of him, and the second thinks that we may expect too much; while the third asserts he is deficient in some of the sounder qualities which make for the superiority of the Australian girl. Acting Professor Knibbs, in a lecture at the last annual meeting of the Society for Child Study, suggested that if there was anything to complain of it might be traced to what he called the "old mechanicalism" in our popular educational methods—to which, he hopefully claimed, the results of recent systematic physiological and psychological study of the child during his school years have given the death-blow. All these points of view may justly claim attention, but the letter of Archdeacon White, published in our columns yesterday, offers what he evidently considers a short cut to the solution of the problem young Australia is said to present.

The Australian boy, he writes, is simply the British boy transplanted to a more generous climate. He sets on one side, perhaps too summarily, theories based on parental habits and surroundings. He is in accord with "Australian Woman" in protesting against the charge of inactivity against women "outside the city leisured class," and he fails to see that the meat-eating, tobacco-and-alcohol-consuming propensities of male parents have much influence on their progeny. That touches the fringe of another subject, but it is noticeable that this particular apologist is most concerned about drawing a distinction between the town-bred and country-grown Australian youth. Perhaps the former has been sufficiently discussed. At any rate he has much advantage. No one will contend that the boy who is born and who grows up in the country is not placed at a certain disadvantage in comparison with him, as well as with the British boy untransplanted. He is, as our correspondent puts it, the victim of circumstances, even in the most favourable conditions. He is taught by his governess as a child, then perhaps by a private teacher, or in one of the ordinary public schools of the State as they and their system have been denounced by the Education Commissioners, until he goes to a grammar school if his parents can afford it. In England old foundational schools meet his requirements, and in America millionaires have endowed or founded institutions like the Stanford University. We have not arrived at either stage yet, and the Australian boy must do his best to rub along without these aids. But he is not naturally deficient. The young Australian is a good athlete, as his victories at home and abroad attest. He has also shown possession of abundant talent in other directions. Our correspondent mentions art and science, medicine, music, and painting. Perhaps these instances are the exceptions. They represent cases where the individual would have pushed himself to the front anywhere. But what about the members of the rank-and-file who are left behind?

It is the rank and file that constitutes the type, not the exception, and there is no harm in admitting that the rank and file is left under a disadvantage, in the country districts more particularly. It is certainly not there that the charge of inactivity and self-indulgence is applicable. The average man or woman on the land, in any capacity, is a model of energy and self-helpfulness, and even those who make the accusation would hardly contend that it applies there, whatever may be the case in the city. It is not necessary to follow our correspondents in their recital of the active duties that our Australian women in the country willingly discharge, and indeed the implication is sufficiently disproved by the active habits of Australian youth. But perhaps it may be admitted that we have not yet made so much progress as might be desired in directing the general training of the boy and girl. That is one of the disabilities of young communities. We have a great deal still to do in this direction as in others, and the first step towards doing it is to recognise its necessity. That is the value of the present discussion, which should have the effect of helping to set people thinking on a subject which so much concerns the future of Australians. A beginning was reached when we made the discovery that our common school system had fallen into a mechanical rut, and that some of our methods dated 40 years back and took no cognisance of modern improvements. No doubt in time that conviction and its results will filter through the whole educational system of the country, and the many thousands of our Australian boys and girls who pass through our public schools and go out into the world from them every year will be influenced for their betterment and that of society in general by the application of modern pedagogic and educational ideas. That will come in time, especially if we avoid the error of resolutely closing our eyes to the fact that we have something to learn. As soon as we begin to consider this question of our Australian youth we are forced back on a recognition of the fact that to reach young Australia in bulk we must make the approach through the primary schools of the State. There is much to be done afterwards, and the secondary and higher educational establishments will always play an important part in forming the young Australian mind. But the country-bred boy stands to a large extent outside the radius of this influence, and the effort must be made to reach him through the direct and primary educational agencies of the State.

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

The Premier's bill dealing with the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works is a step in the right direction. It forbids that body or any sectional committee of it to hold any meeting while the Legislative Assembly is sitting; it suspends the Committee's powers until the end of the current financial year, and it limits the total amount payable to the members out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, in the shape of fees, travelling expenses or charges, to £2000 a year. At present the amount thus payable is £4000 a year, and additional sums are placed on the Estimates as alleged necessity demands. The cutting down of the revenue of the Committee by £2000 a year is a measure of reform which will be much appreciated by the State. The spectacle afforded by the Public Works Committee of last Parliament was almost outrageous enough to warrant the people in demanding that the body should not only be suspended for a year or so, but that it should be reformed out of existence. To the last days of the expiring Parliament this Committee kept itself busily engaged in examining into projects which could not by any chance be carried out for years. There was no money in the Treasury, yet the Committee was inquiring into enterprises which would cost millions; and meanwhile it was assiduously collecting fees. The Committee threw the blame on the Parliament which had referred the inquiries to it, and Parliament blamed the Government which had recommended the inquiries. If the Committee is suspended for a year, time will be given for the Government to look around and ascertain the exact position of the State with regard to powers of expenditure. Further, if the bill now before the House be passed, and if next year there should unhappily be a continuance of our present financial condition, there should be no difficulty in prolonging the suspension of the Committee's operations.

The State owes something to the institution of the Public Works Committee. This body has been a useful check on methods which might appear fair to the persons who would benefit by a particular work constructed at the public expense, but which certainly would not commend themselves to unprejudiced inquirers. It has been composed since its establishment of men who for the most part had regard only to the interests of the State so far as the undertaking of public works was concerned. They may not have been always wise, and they may in cases have been disposed to deal somewhat cavalierly with the representations of experts, but, generally, they had the best of intentions, and they carried them out to the utmost of their ability. There is not the slightest reason for supposing that the Committee during last Parliament was less honest and capable than its predecessors, or that the Committee dealt with by this bill suffers in any way by comparison. But it is absurd on the face of it to set a highly-paid body of men roaming over the country examining into schemes which cannot be touched for years. Travelling expenses and charges, to say nothing of fees, mount up when a large body and sectional committees, attended by clerical staffs, are journeying through the country. As likely as not, all the work may have to be done over again in regard to schemes on which the Committee might report favourably or unfavourably now, by reason of the changes which may have arisen when at last there is money in hand to do the work. It is no mark of wise administration to maintain an expensive machine for the examining of schemes which there is no money to carry out. There is, however, just one amendment which may be worth while making in Committee. Circumstances might require the initiation of a work of public urgency costing over £20,000, and instead of suspending the Committee for twelve months, it might be provided that it should only sit if and when Parliament gives it work to do, whether the Houses are then sitting or not, otherwise it might be found difficult in an emergency to set the necessary machinery to work.

The Federal Capital.—The Premier in reply to a question asked by Mr. Wood in the Legislative Assembly yesterday said he had received a letter from the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth stating he desired to open up negotiations with New South Wales in regard to the Federal territory. Mr. Carruthers also remarked that he had always held that the proper party to express an opinion upon the selection of the territory was the Parliament of this State. Therefore he had laid upon the table of the House copies of all papers which he could collect which might afford information, and they would be distributed. In a few days he intended to give notice of a motion to enable the House to take into consideration the question, so that it might express an opinion in reference to the site selected, and generally with a view to carrying on negotiations with the Federal Government.

A Lapsed Vote.—An appeal was made yesterday to the Chief Secretary that a lapsed vote of £2500 placed on last year's Estimates for the purpose of assisting in the erection of a new hospital for Wollongong should be restored to the Estimates for the current financial year. The request was made by the Mayor of that town, Alderman F. Bevan, Mr. J. P. Galvin, president, and Mr. J. A. Mayo, secretary of the Wollongong Hospital, Drs. Kerr and Cox, and Messrs. W. J. Little, W. G. Robertson, S. S. Hindmarsh, W. McKenzie, W. J. Wiseman, S. Cutcher, W. Parkinson, W. Ashley, and J. C. Jones. The deputation was introduced by Mr. J. B. Nicholson, M.L.A. It was urged in support of the request that the present establishment was not only located in an unsuitable position, but did not provide sufficient accommodation for those seeking medical assistance. Mr. Hogue admitted that the present hospital occupied an unsuitable site. Although the £2500 was promised, he found that the late Treasurer, Mr. Waddell, minuted the papers in April as follows:—"Owing to the present state of the money market, this matter must stand over." If Mr. Waddell found the finances in such a condition in April last, nothing had occurred since then to warrant any change in the late Treasurer's decision. That being so, and much as he sympathised with the request, he could not do more than promise that he would place their representations before the Cabinet.

Employers' Federation.—At the annual meeting of the Employers' Federation last night the Arbitration Act came in for very severe condemnation, as also did the tactics of the Labour party in its efforts to secure the passage of socialistic legislation. The danger to the whole community of allowing those efforts to continue unchecked was forcibly pointed out by the retiring president (Mr. Henry Hudson) and other speakers, who urged upon the employers of the State the necessity for organising on similar lines to those so successfully adopted by the Labour bodies. The association has now affiliated with it between 50 and 60 unions of employers, and it is hoped that steps will shortly be taken to extend the organisation throughout the State.

The Burns Statue.—Mr. J. Muir, on behalf of the Burns Memorial Committee, had an interview yesterday with the Chief Secretary, Mr. Hogue, with regard to a site for the statue of the Scottish national bard. It is expected to arrive in Sydney next December, and is to be presented to the State by the admirers of the works of Robert Burns. One of the first proposals of the committee was that the statue should be erected in the Botanic Gardens, but a number of the subscribers opposed the idea, on the ground that it was not a suitable place. Mr. Hogue expressed a similar view to Mr. Muir, and suggested the statue might be erected in one of the public parks. He advised Mr. Muir to again confer with the committee on the subject, and that gentleman agreed to do so. It is understood that the committee was offered permission to erect the statue in Wynyard-square, where the memorial to Dr. Lang stands, but the site did not meet with approval. The committee hope to have the statue unveiled on January 26.

Court of Marine Inquiry.—To-morrow a Court of Marine Inquiry will sit to investigate the circumstances attending the collision between the Beagle and St. George in Darling Harbour on the 16th inst; also, the collision between the Lilac and the oil launch Her Majesty on August 26 last in Sydney Harbour.

Royal Navy Recreation Ground.—The regulations for the management of the recreation ground at Rushcutter Bay for the Royal Navy are published in the "Government Gazette" issued yesterday. It will be remembered that during his brief sojourn at the Lands Department, as Ministerial head of that branch of the public service, Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan caused an order to be submitted to the Executive Council setting aside 2 acres and 3 roods of the reclaimed Crown land at Rushcutter Bay to be handed over to certain trustees as a recreation ground for the Royal Navy. The order was approved, and in this way nearly three parts of the land, which is largely used by the public for recreation purposes, has been taken away from them. Indignation is felt by a large number of the residents of Paddington and Woollahra at the creation of such a large recreation ground, more especially as the plans show that it is proposed to take away the foreshore along the seawall from the public. The members of the Paddington and Woollahra councils, together with Messrs. Latimer, Oakes, and Jessep, Ms.L.A., are arranging to wait upon the Minister for Lands with a view of getting the boundaries of the recreation ground modified.

Manly Reserves.—Judging from letters which have appeared in the "Herald" during the past few days, there exists in the minds of some of the residents of Manly the impression that the local municipal council has definitely decided to resume the small triangular reserve close to the wharf, and utilise it for the erection of a commodious town hall. The fact is, however, that the council has simply affirmed the desirability of a suitable town hall being provided, and suggested the site referred to as the most convenient for the purpose. Information is now being obtained with regard to the cost, revenue, and working expenses in connection with similar buildings in the other suburbs, as well as in various country centres, and when all the desired particulars are available they will be submitted to a public meeting of the ratepayers, upon whose decision will entirely depend the acceptance or rejection of the council's proposals. No steps whatever have yet been taken in the direction of resuming the reserve, nor is it the intention of the aldermen to move in the matter until the wishes of the ratepayers have been ascertained by means of either an open vote or a plebiscite.

Rushcutter Bay Park.—A correspondent complained in yesterday's "Herald" that the Rushcutter Bay Trust proposed to charge admission to the cricket oval on October 8, which practically means closing the ground to the public. We learn that the trust finds it necessary to raise funds for the maintenance of the park, because the late Government intimated that further grants could not be expected. At the same time, the Government approved of a bylaw giving the trustees power on certain occasions for a limited number of days in the year to charge the visiting public who watch these sports or games a small sum to provide the necessary funds. The charge is only made while the game is in progress, say, from 1 to 6 p.m. It is explained that the trustees have no desire to prevent anyone using the park, but they think there is sufficient public spirit in most people who avail themselves of the park to contribute a small sum for the privilege of watching the games, notwithstanding that a few malcontents prefer to have the enjoyment and let someone else pay for it.

In view of the reported increase of business at the Neutral Bay (Military-road) Post-office, the Postmaster-General has approved of arrangements being made for a contract office to be opened there in charge of an official who would devote the whole of his or her time to the duties of the office, and the employment of a messenger to deliver telegrams and assist generally.

The North Sydney Council is desirous of completing the reclamation work at the foot of Willoughby-street, which was delayed for some years pending the termination of a lease. The council had permission to reclaim a short distance beyond high-water mark, but the Government, in the course of time, treated the permission as lapsed. The foreshores are now under the control of the Harbour Trust Commissioners, who have consented to the council getting a part of the reclaimed land, subject to the right of the Harbour Trust to collect wharfage and tonnage dues on all goods landed thereon.

Mr. D. Fell, M.L.A., has informed the North Sydney Council that the Comptroller of the Government Savings Bank will recommend the establishment of a Government Savings Bank at Crow's Nest immediately an official post-office, to which the money-order system was extended, has been established there.

It has been decided to form the "Hurstville Traders' Association," the following being elected as office-bearers:—President, Mr. J. Burnett; vice-president, Mr. Hills; hon. secretary, Mr. W. C. Hume; hon. treasurer, Mr. Carew; working committee, Messrs. F. Taylor, C. Low, and J. M'Cully.

Messrs. Sweet Brothers send us their "Spring and Summer Fashion Book" for the coming season.

The thanks of the Forster and Cape Hawke Progress Association have been tendered to Mr. R. A. Price for his services while member for Gloucester.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

The Governor-General and Lady Northcote arrived at Melbourne from Sydney by express yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Mr. H. H. Share, R.N., returned from Wellington at 6 yesterday morning, and left again in the afternoon for Armidale, attended by Captain Leslie Wilson, D.S.O., A.D.C.

Mr. John Kidd was entertained at a banquet at Campbelltown on Tuesday night, and was presented with an illuminated address and silver plate in recognition of his services as Parliamentary representative of Camden. Mr. Waddell, M.L.A., made the presentation, and warmly eulogised Mr. Kidd, who feelingly acknowledged the gift. Complimentary speeches were also made by Messrs. F. Moore (Mayor of Campbelltown), A. D. Little (Mayor of Camden), R. H. Antill (of Picton), and F. E. Barker (of Liverpool). There was a large and representative attendance of the public.

After an illness of nearly twelve months' duration, Matthew Waddell, a well-known orchardist, died yesterday morning at his residence, Ellisland, Singleton. Mr. Waddell was born at Glasgow in December, 1834, and came to Australia with his parents when 6 years of age. For upwards of 60 years he resided in the district. Upon the formation of the Northern Agricultural Association in 1868 he was elected a member of the committee, a position he occupied without interruption till his death. He was a prominent member of the Oddfellows' Lodge, and an adherent of the Presbyterian Church, in the spiritual welfare and advancement of which he was always deeply interested. Mr. Waddell has left a widow and grown up family of two sons and five daughters.

Mr. Donald Macdonell, M.L.A., pluckily rescued a lad near the Lavender Bay wharf yesterday. Three youngsters were rowing a cockleshell craft on the bay, when the wash of the steamer Bunya Bunya upset them. One boy swam ashore, another stuck to the boat, and drifted into safety, but the third was unable to keep afloat. Seeing his plight Mr. Macdonell promptly divested himself of some of his clothing and went to the rescue, bringing the lad safely to land.

At the Anglican Diocesan Synod yesterday, on the motion of the Rev. S. S. Tovey, a resolution of sympathy with Mr. James Plummer in his illness, heartily wishing him early restoration to health, and placing on record appreciation of the unselfish and meritorious services he has for so many years rendered to the church, was carried unanimously.

At the session of the Anglican Diocesan Synod yesterday, on the motion of Mr. John A. I. Perry, seconded by Canon Vaughan, it was resolved, "That the members of this Synod desire to place on record their deep regret at the loss sustained by the Methodist Church through the death of the Rev. Dr. George Lane, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the New South Wales conference." Mr. Perry, in moving the motion, said he was sure the Synod would unanimously pass it as a fraternal act of sympathy with a Church which had lost a revered leader, a zealous pastor, and a faithful friend. (Applause.) A similar resolution was, on the motion of the Ven. Archdeacon Gunther, seconded by Canon Archdall, carried with reference to the deaths of the Rev. J. T. Main M.A. (late Moderator of the Presbyterian Church), the Rev. Seth Jones (late Chairman of the Baptist Union), and the Rev. T. W. Dunn, Presbyterian minister.

Mr. James Wright has been appointed as from July last, managing director for the Commonwealth of Australia of Robert Reid and Co., Ltd., in succession to the late Mr. Robert Reid.

Our Wellington (N.Z.) correspondent cabled last night:—Mr. John M'Gowan, Commissioner for Taxes, died suddenly to-day at Kurow, North Otago, from apoplexy.

Mr. R. D. Meagher was presented last night at Lismore with a testimonial from his friends.

Mr. T. B. Cribb, an ex State Treasurer of Queensland, was presented at Ipswich on Tuesday night with a solid silver salver and an address in recognition of his services as M.L.A. for Ipswich for eight and a half years.

Our Melbourne correspondent telegraphs that Mrs. Elizabeth Young, mother of Miss Florence Young, of Williamson's Comic Opera Company, died suddenly on Tuesday night.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

IN FEDERAL SESSION.

THE SENATE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTERS.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The whole business of the Senate to-day consisted in passing the Supply Bill. It was received by measure from the House of Representatives, and on the motion for its first reading there were grievances. Before the supply debate, Senator Staniforth Smith brought up the matter of the pacific cable, and urged that cabling business of Australia should be more evenly divided between it and the Eastern Extension Company than it is at present. Most of his suggestions were, however, of such a nature that they can only be placed before the Pacific Cable Conference to be held in London in November for consideration, and the Attorney-General promised that the conference should be made cognisant of them. One or two matters arising out of the Public Service reclassification scheme were also ventilated, and it was promised that these should come before the proper Ministers. As soon as this debate, which lasted an hour and a half, was over, the bill was passed through all its stages.

The Senate then rose until October 12.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

During the time for preliminary business in the House of Representatives to-day a motion was agreed to. The select committee on the administration of the electoral law has had several extensions of time in which to bring up its report. To-day it was given another month. The debate on the motion of censure was continued, and at 10.30 p.m. the House adjourned.

THE NAVIGATION COMMISSION.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Captain W. F. Deary, Inspector of Shipping under the Marine Board of Victoria, was examined to-day before the Royal Commission on the Navigation Bill. He said vessels belonging to Government departments should be exempted from the provisions of the bill, but if they plied for hire in any way they should be made subject to it. He did not know of any Australian boys being bound apprentices to a seafaring life. There were very few Australian-owned ships. Many vessels only carried two mates when they should have three. It would be to the interest of the public if the mates of vessels were allowed a certain period off duty before they took charge of the ship. He agreed with the clause in the bill that apprentices should be indentured. Power should be given in the bill to an inspector to go on board a vessel at any time, and if any of the gear was found defective he should have authority to order its repair.

After the witness had given further evidence, the commission adjourned until the following day, when Captain Deary's examination will be resumed.

THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT.

In the course of a leading article on the crisis created by the defeat of Mr. Watson's Government in the House of Representatives six weeks ago, the "Times" makes some interesting remarks. It premises that parties are so divided, and moreover are subject to such unexpected cross-divisions, that it is difficult to feel any confidence in Mr. Reid's capacity to keep in hand the majority of the House of Representatives on the basis of which he has accepted from the Governor-General the task of carrying on the business of the country. The "Times" notes that the Labour party is "still in a minority among the electors, and is wedded to a policy of State socialism." There is an "internal tendency to schism," and "it would appear that the fall of the Labour Cabinet was due less to any specific proposals than to the general tendency of their measures and ideas." The article concludes:—"Australian politics are unfortunately crossed by personal jealousies and suspicions to which observers at home have not the clue; but, on the other hand, nowhere have such rivalries been more frequently put aside in view of the obvious and imperative advantages of a coalition. The dominant factor in the situation would seem to be the necessity of showing a resolute and united front to the policy of the Labour party, which, if carried out logically, would seriously imperil the prosperity and peace of the Australian colonies and their permanent connection with the British Empire. But all parties in Australia are so largely permeated by socialistic ideas that it is doubtful whether any combination of existing political groups can be trusted to offer a strenuous and unflinching resistance to the dangerous movement towards extreme forms of State socialism. However that may be, the enfeebling of the authority and power of the Federal Government is certain, if it is not stayed in time, to bring discredit upon the Commonwealth. There is no time to be lost in escaping from the perilous quicksands of the system of 'groups' which has engulfed the character and credit of so many legislative bodies in all parts of the world."

AMSTERDAM SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

PERTH (W.A.), Wednesday.

An interim report of the proceedings of the Industrial Socialist Congress at Amsterdam has been received by the Trades and Labour Council from the Australian representative, Mr. Claude Thompson. The report stated that 470 delegates were present from all parts of the world. The British delegates recommended the congress to recognise the British colonies as a separate section, and the recommendation was adopted. Delegates from the British colonies constituted a section of which Mr. Thompson was elected president. Mr. Thompson continues:—What is generally known as the Dresden resolution of the German party, and which was afterwards adopted at Rheims by the French, was carried. This denounces the revisionist tendencies, and declares for class struggle of Marx. A resolution condemning the capitalist importation of inferior races, such as Chinese coolies, etc., into countries in order to lower the standard of living in those countries, was unanimously carried.

PROFITS OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Church Assembly on Tuesday night there was an animated debate on the motion of Canon Stephen affirming the desirability of eliminating private profit from the liquor traffic. The assembly in its manifest eagerness to assent to the proposition gave but scant attention to the only speaker who had the courage to oppose it. This was the Rev. C. P. Thomas, who maintained that the motion had no more to do with the Church than it had with the Trades Hall. The Church had no more right to interfere with matters which were under the care of the State than the State had to eliminate the offertory from the Church service. The debate was adjourned.

TO-DAY.

Anglican Diocesan Synod: Chapter House, 4 p.m.
Lecture: "Sight-seeing in Cairo," Rev. John Ferguson, St. Stephen's Church, Phillip-street, 7.45 p.m.
Business Men's Service: Centenary Hall, 1.15 p.m.
Excursion to Windsor: Train, 9.5 a.m.
The Jubilee Fair: St. Mary's Hall, College-street, 3.30 and 7 p.m.
Royal Art Society's Exhibition: 76 Pitt-street, 10 a.m.
Students' Operatic and Dramatic Society: Queen's Hall, 8 p.m.
Hairdressers Employees' Union: Social, New Masonic Hall, Castlereagh-street, 8 p.m.
People's Reform League: Lecture, Mr. J. Stinson, O'Connell-street, 8 p.m.
Corporation of Accountants: Lecture, Mr. E. P. Bassett, Equitable-buildings, 8 p.m.
Meeting, Alderman J. Harris' Supporters: Presbyterian School Hall, Crown-street, 8 p.m.
King Labour League: Meeting, Butler's Hall, William-street.
St. Augustine's Church Bazaar, Neutral Bay, 3 p.m.
N.S.W. Pony and Galloway Association: Meeting, Freemasons' Hall, York-street, 8 p.m.
Entertainment, Congregational Hall, Summer Hill, 7.45 p.m.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Sunday," 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "The Flood Tide," 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "A Message from Mars," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 8 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: "My Friend from India," 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: "Whirl-I-Gig," 8 p.m.
Shooting the Chute, Manly, 2 to 10 p.m.
Zoological Gardens, Moore Park: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cyclorama, George-street: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

IN PARLIAMENT.

The greater part of the sitting of the Legislative Council yesterday was devoted to the consideration of the Infant Protection Bill. As the matters dealt with by the measure were fully ventilated last session, the Vice-President of the Executive Council thought it unnecessary to enlarge upon its scope, and the second reading was agreed to. The bill was also passed through committee without material amendment, and the House, after referring the City Bank Act Extension Bill to a select committee, adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Labour party had a long innings in the Legislative Assembly last night, and though the subject which they opened up was worthy of some discussion, it was abundantly clear that the long debate was a wearisome waste of time. It was the unemployed question, or one phase of it, that afforded the opportunity for talking. The Minister for Works had on the previous night declared his intention to give a limited number of free passes on the railway to city unemployed who could get work in the country could they be carried there. Mr. MacDonell moved the adjournment of the House to deal with that proposal, and he and one or two others made commendably brief and pertinent speeches in stating their objections to the scheme. They declared a knowledge that in their respective districts there was not enough work for local men, and the only effect the transportation thither of a lot of city unemployed would have would be the cutting down of wages. That would be all right for employers, they argued, but all wrong for the employed. The theme was, of course, a congenial one to Labour members, and Mr. Thrower, the new member for Macquarie, made his maiden speech.

Mr. Lee, vainly aspiring to stop further loss of time, specifically stated his intentions. A deputation had told him that there were 400 unemployed in the city who could obtain work in the country, and he proposed to give those of them who were worthy free passes to the employment they named. That scheme would be given a month's trial, because it was hard that men who had work waiting for them should not be assisted to go to it, especially as relief works must cease. But nothing was further from his mind than to deal with the general question of the unemployed in the same manner. That might well have ended the debate, for its continuance could effect no practical good. But Labour members were not satisfied. They seemed annoyed that the 400 men referred to should get the proposed chance of leaving the ranks of unemployed, and they wandered round the whole subject in broad generalities. No doubt it is a difficult subject for the Labour party to handle, especially as many of the men who stand to benefit by Mr. Lee's proposal would not be unionists, but, at the same time, it did seem inconsistent for Mr. M'Gowen to oppose in one breath the Government proposal to help a few men into work and in the next to assert that it was the duty of the Government to find work for the unemployed.

Mr. Crick reminded the leader of the Opposition that the See Government could not get city unemployed to go out harvesting last season, and added that there need not therefore be any fear of the country labour markets becoming flooded by hordes of metropolitan workers. Mr. McGowen did not take this at all kindly, and twitted the ex-Minister for Lands with being a freelance critic. Coming from Mr. M'Gowen that must be regarded as a very severe castigation indeed, because the Labour leader does not indulge in violent language. But gentle rebuke has no sting for the member for Blayney, who took the floor and told how as a Minister he had fought in Cabinet against the artificial labour problem cures of his then colleagues, and especially Mr. O'Sullivan's "seven bob a day." The unemployed should be thankful that Mr. Crick is not Autocrat of Australia, for he has no patience with men who would rather starve than work at reasonable wages. Mr. O'Sullivan suggested the appointment of a committee of the House to advise the Minister. The motion of adjournment was negatived.

It was getting on for 10 o'clock when the Premier brought down his bill to reorganise the Public Works Committee, but the Opposition made some amends for its waste of time by assisting the first stages of this measure. There are only four clauses in the bill, but they mean a lot. They suspend meetings of the committee till June 30, 1905, they prohibit the work of the committee while Parliament is sitting, and they fix the maximum aggregate fees to members at £2000 per annum. Simple, but drastic. Last year the fees paid were £4000, and, as Mr. Carruthers pointed out, there is nothing to prevent them being double that. Touching on a proposal to supersede the committee by a board of experts, the Premier expressed the opinion that the principle of a committee of the House to collect evidence to assist the House in connection with large works was sound. Moreover, a board of experts would be too costly. The great object aimed at was the stoppage of the sittings of the committee till there was urgent work for it to do. Mr. M'Gowen agreed generally with the aims of the Government, but questioned whether the suspension of the committee was requisite, since no questions would be referred to it till Parliament was ready to carry them out. He also promised that at a later stage he would say something about the fees. The bill was read the first time.

Mr. Wade found, when he moved the second reading of his bill to abolish juries in most coroner's inquisitions, that there was a strong objection raised, the chief ground being that the riders of coroners' juries had led to many reforms in the conditions of labour and the quality of machinery—riders that coroners would not have added because of their lack of special knowledge. The debate will be continued to-day.

THE LATE DEAN COWPER.

MEMORIAL IN THE CATHEDRAL.

A brass memorial tablet in commemoration of the late Dean Cowper was unveiled by the Archbishop of Sydney yesterday afternoon in St. Andrew's Cathedral, in the presence of a large congregation of the clergy and laity. After a short service the Archbishop, with a number of the clergy in their robes, proceeded to the north transept, where the tablet is erected, and performed the ceremony. He read the inscription on the tablet as follows:—

"In grateful memory of William Macquarie Cowper, M.A., Oxon., born at Sydney, July 3, 1810, died in the deanery, June 14, 1902. He was Dean of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, from 1858. As pastor, preacher, teacher, and administrator he earned affectionate esteem from all classes of the community. His long and devoted service to the diocese was marked by Christian humility, justice, earnestness, and courtesy. He laboured loyally for Christ in defence and confirmation of the gospel, and finished his earthly course in the tranquillity of trust, set upon Christ his Saviour. 'Not I, but the Christ of God which was with me.' This tablet is erected by the chapter."

The Archbishop explained the steps that had been taken with reference to the placing of a memorial in the Cathedral to the late Dean, and said a brass tablet was decided upon as being most suitable. After deliberation it was thought that the present spot in the northern transept, close to where the late Dean over and over again entered the Cathedral, was appropriate. Their thoughts were thoughts of thankfulness that their dear friend was at rest, and possibly he had some knowledge given him of that memorial service. They thanked God for his services, and trusted as this tablet was now unveiled they would be reminded of those services, and follow in the Dean's footsteps as he followed Christ.

The dedicatory prayer was then offered by the Archbishop, and the service was concluded with the singing of the hymn, "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven," and the pronouncement of the benediction.

FATAL BLASTING ACCIDENT.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A fatal blasting accident happened on Tuesday in the Clarence mine, at Eaglehawk. Two miners, George Simmons and Thomas Kelly, were at work drilling holes in the face of a drive, when the drill came into contact with an unexploded charge, the existence of which was not known. A violent explosion took place, killing Simmons outright and severely injuring Kelly.

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THE WAR.

SUMMONS TO SURRENDER.

PORT ARTHUR REFUSES.

EASTWARD DEFENCES FALLING.

RUMOURS OF NAVAL FIGHTING.

DYNAMITING RUSSIAN RAILWAYS.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

The Japanese are showing extraordinary activity, bombarding Port Arthur by day and night. They are now battering the last defences on the eastward side preparatory to making the final assault.

The garrison but not the fleet has been offered by the Japanese leave to march out with full honours of war if it surrenders. General Stoessel, the Commandant of the fortress, refused. He threatens to shoot the next messenger sent to summon the garrison to surrender.

The garrison nightly constructs works to stem the advance of the Japanese on the eastern side, but the Japanese demolish them at daybreak.

On this side the Japanese have sapped to within a few hundred yards of the Russian works. A sortie on the part of the defenders has been repulsed. Several Russian howitzers have been captured. The Japanese shells are damaging the shipping in the port.

Both besieged and besiegers display unparalleled fortitude and determination. The Russian bands play their National Anthem, while the Japanese in the trenches shout "Banzai" in reply and sing patriotic songs.

Advices from St. Petersburg are to the effect that the Russians have lost 9600 men at Port Arthur since September 2.

RUMOURED NAVAL BATTLE.

OFF SAKHALIEN.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Firing has been heard in the island of Sakhalien, off Cape Aniva, its extreme south-eastern point.

It is believed that a naval battle is in progress.

ADVANCING ON MUKDEN.

JAPANESE ACROSS THE HUN RIVER.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Russian cavalry of General Kuropatkin's force at Mukden report that a big advance of the Japanese is taking place west of the railway.

The Chinese at Mukden refuse to act as spies for the Russians.

The Japanese have advanced to Davan, on the left bank of the Liao River. They are strongly posted at Shan-chan.

On the railway lines in Manchuria now under their control the Japanese are running 60 locomotives. There are 1000 trucks at Hai-cheng. The Japanese have constructed further lines to the eastward in order to facilitate the transport of winter supplies to the troops. Every Japanese household has sent a blanket to the front.

The correspondent of the "Lokal Anzeiger" (Berlin) with the Russian forces telegraphs that the Japanese are crossing the Hun-ho (river) 50 miles from Mukden.

JAPANESE SPIES.

ATTEMPT ON RUSSIAN RAILWAYS.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Swarms of Japanese disguised as Chinese coolies are trying to dynamite the railway between Khabarovsk, to the north of Vladivostock, and Harbin, the junction of the Siberian and Manchurian lines, though sentries are in touch with each other from Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal.

THE YENTAI MINES.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

The Japanese on capturing the Yentai mines found that the machinery had been wrecked. They hope to re-open the railway line from the Yentai mines to Liaoyang to steam traffic in November.

RUSSIAN INDISCIPLINE.

REGIMENTAL COMMANDER CASHIERED.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

Documents found by the Japanese at Liao-yang included General Orders showing that the commander of the 2nd Regiment of Cossacks of the Ural had been cashiered for abandoning an important position on a mere rumour of the Japanese approach, and that other officers had been cashiered for lack of discipline. The documents also show that Admiral Alexeieff on July 18 rebuked some non-commissioned officers for assaults upon women.

VOLUNTEER FLEET STEAMER.

PASSAGE THROUGH THE BOSPHORUS.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

The Volunteer Fleet steamer Nijni Novgorod, 7876 tons, has passed through the Bosphorus, and is proceeding to Port Said. The steamer is flying the Russian commercial flag, and is without arms and ammunition.

COALING OF A RUSSIAN CRUISER.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

At the instance of Sir A. Nicolson, the British Ambassador at Madrid, the coaling at Las Palmas, Canary Islands, of the Russian cruiser Terek, which is searching for contraband, was stopped by Spain after the vessel had begun to take coals aboard.

RUSSIAN DESERTERS.

MUTILATION TO AVOID SERVICE.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Four thousand Russian deserters have crossed the western frontier of the empire since the war commenced. If they are captured they will suffer horrible barbarities.

Some soldiers in Bessarabia resort to self-maiming, even to the extent of chopping off their hands and feet, so as to avoid service.

COMMENTS ON THE SITUATION.

It cannot be doubted that the Japanese intend the present attack on Port Arthur to be decisive. The fighting in the past has generally been for the purpose of securing commanding positions from which the final series of attacks might be pressed home. It would be well to give considerable elasticity to the popular expression "final attack." The Japanese have claimed that they will show that the European idea that a modern fortress cannot be taken by assault is wrong. It is rather difficult to gather from the reports that reach us whether General Nogi has yet established himself on the innermost chain of the fortifications. If he has done so, it does not necessarily follow that the fortress will be taken without further heavy fighting. In two remarkable respects the war has presented problems. The naval battles constituted the first great test of modern warships well equipped. Secondly, Port Arthur is the first great fortress subjected to investment with present-day artillery and infantry weapons, and since the development of the new system of fortifications that followed the Franco-German war. Therefore to some extent the closing stages of the attack will be unique, and they do not readily lend themselves to forecast. When It-shan was temporarily captured, the fate of Port Arthur appeared sealed. But even so, it is doubtful whether the fortress would have fallen so readily as was imagined. The capture of Port Arthur is not dependent on the taking of any particular fort, or even of a complete sector. If one great fort be taken it stands to reason that it would at once become a target of the two nearest forts, and if the defenders of the captured fort had spiked or burst their guns before retiring, the stormers would have great difficulty in establishing their guns. That is probably how It-shan was lost. It may be found that, after all, Port Arthur and its defences will have to be taken, not in a fell swoop, but fort by fort, inch by inch, and though the Russian view that the place will never be taken by assault may prove wrong, it will be shown when the history of the siege is written that it was a protracted and expensive struggle, despite the fact that the capture of position after position steadily facilitated operations stage by stage against the forts that remained in the possession of the defenders. Protracted and expensive perhaps hardly sums up the situation, for in any event the siege was bound to present such conditions, but what is meant is that any one great storming attack is not likely to settle the gallant garrison. Assuming that the Japanese attack is successful at one point, the forts on two sides of the town would still have to be taken, and though the driving in of a wedge would mean the beginning of the end, the garrison could still involve the Japanese in severe losses. The destruction of the town itself will not count in Russian calculations. It has been suggested that the siege will prove to be the "bloodiest since Sedan," and though in many respects a comparison with Sedan is unreasonable, the Japanese losses must be appalling, and their experiences cannot be judged by the shoutings of banzai and the singing of patriotic songs in the trenches, any more than it is to be assumed that the exultant music of the Russian band indicates the real mood of the garrison.

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The opinions given above may be illustrated by the following:—"Everyone who knows Paris knows also the look of the great, frowning fortress called Mont Valérien. Valérien is, however, only one of the forts which, taken together, constitute the fortifications of Paris. The fall of Valérien would not of itself entail the fall of any of the other forts round Paris, though, no doubt, it would facilitate the employment of artillery against others. Similarly round Metz the old French forts have been enormously enlarged by the Germans, and others have been added. The fall of no one of these would necessarily entail the fall of the fortress or of any of the other forts, though the capture of any one of them would be a most difficult operation, and, when successful, would be a very long step in advance for the besiegers to have made. In the case of either Paris or Metz, there would be a large garrison for the defence of the place as a whole. It would, during the time that the besiegers were attacking one of the separate forts, endeavour to co-operate with the defenders of the fort by attacking and harassing the assailants in every way."

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It is clear enough that the Japanese expected Port Arthur would have been taken before now. That the grand assault five weeks ago was a failure surprised the people of Japan. The "Standard" correspondent interviewed the Japanese Consul-General in Tien-tsin on August 20, and was told that the assault then entered upon was "Japan's supreme effort." He added: "To-day's assault is directed along the entire line. One after another the outer defences have been taken. The Japanese had completed their preparations for the grand assault when they asked General Stoessel to surrender. He refused—now comes the final test." The Russians on that occasion triumphed. Since then they have sustained nearly 10,000 casualties, which is a big loss for a garrison of 30,000. Nevertheless, General Stoessel is undaunted, and has threatened to shoot the next parlementaire who is sent forward by Nogi to suggest surrender. While he has 20,000 men to man the forts, Stoessel has no justification, from his point of view, for yielding, the humanitarian consideration that be is throwing away lives needlessly making no appeal to him. Nor is it reasonable to take the view that he should surrender on those grounds. If the Baltic Squadron has a hope of getting to the East, it is necessary that Port Arthur should remain Russian. Secondly, Stoessel's determination is keeping an army of 80,000 or 100,000 Japanese employed on the Kwantung, and, consequently, the armies operating against Kuropatkin are weakened to nearly that extent. Thirdly, the prestige of Russia is largely in Stoessel's keeping, and it would be rank hypocrisy to declare that Stoessel should take a course that no British citizen would dare suggest should be taken by a British garrison should one ever be similarly placed.

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The Chinese at Mukden, we are told, decline to act as Russian spies. It is questionable whether the typical Chinaman at Mukden would refuse if he were offered good pay. There may be some justification in an isolated incident for the cable on the subject, but it is now beyond all doubt that so far as the Chunchuses are concerned there are roving bands employed and officered by both Russians and Japanese. It has been questioned whether the Japanese are acting honestly in employing the Chunchuses. The latter, by the way, are better built men than the Cossacks, and are quite as good horsemen. Japan, however, undertook to respect Chinese neutrality only to the extent to which Russia observed her obligations. We are quite safe in assuming that the daring Red-beards are giving their services more readily to the Japanese than to the Russians. Major Seaman and Captain Boyd, of the 10th U.S. Cavalry Regiment, have been in Manchuria lately, and were the guests of Chungtzorlin, a Chunchuse chief, near Tsin-min-ting, 30 miles west of Mukden. The Chunchuses numbered 10,000. Major Seaman states that they are in the employ of the Japanese, who pay the infantry 15 taels per month, and the cavalry 25. There are, he says, many Japanese officers among them. These forces are used to harass the Russians. During his visit the robbers brought in the heads of five Cossacks, on pikes. These Cossacks had formed part of a detachment of 35, and had been securing a thousand head of cattle, appropriated by the robbers. The bandits pride themselves on their horsemanship, and the visitors owed their welcome to some West Point cavalry tricks, which Captain Boyd showed them. The Chunchuse attack on the Cossacks resulted in a detachment of 3000 of the latter marching to revenge the killing of their comrades. The brigand chief told the visitors they had better go, as he could not protect them, and the Americans thereupon left.

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The Japanese are reported to have crossed the Hun Ho, which means that General Kuroki is again to attempt to break through the Russian left. Already—in expectation of the early fall of Port Arthur and the defeat of General Kuropatkin—the Japanese are heard of on the railway communications from Harbin to Vladivostock, where General Linievitch has a garrison of 40,000 men. The firing off Cape Aniva, the southern extremity of Sakhalien—an island which the Russians finally seized in 1867—suggests that the Gromoboi and Rossia have been repaired, and have ventured upon a cruise. Sakhalien is separated from Japan by La Perouse Strait. The Japanese intend to take possession of the island.

AT THE FRONT.

WITH THE JAPANESE.

TROOPS AT HAI-CHENG.

AUDIENCE WITH GENERAL OKU.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL WAR CORRESPONDENT.)

(BY TELEGRAPH FROM PORT DARWIN.)

DESCRIPTION OF HAI-CHENG.

HAI-CHENG, Aug. 14.

A few lines of description of a Manchurian walled city may be of interest. This place may be taken as typical of hundreds of others which are scattered all over Manchuria. It is built in a square, the walls facing N, S, E, and W, with arched gates in the centre of each. These gates are about 15ft high. Formerly all the residences and shops were within the wall, but with the passage of time the surplus population has gone beyond the city boundary, and now one finds a kind of suburbia, which has grown up and spread itself out fanwise on both sides of each gateway. Consequently the approach to the city lies through an avenue of booths and houses. In the former one noticed, conspicuously displayed, dozens and dozens of canned goods and beer. If one drew his deduction of the food habits of the Russians from the character of the stuff vended in the stores at places evacuated in their retreat, one would suppose that the brawny Muscovite comforted himself with Japanese beer and stayed himself with Chinese canned fruits. Not unnaturally, one thinks when he sees a Chinese city for the first time that after having passed the first gate, which is some 15ft high and resembles a short tunnel through a wall more than anything else, he will be within the city proper. Nothing of the sort. With the idea of strengthening the entrance the designer of these cities, some old Celestial who was borne to his unremembered grave some thousands of years ago, ran out a spar in the shape of a half-moon. You pass through this curved wall at the side, and find yourself in an enclosure perhaps about 30 yards across. In this compound are stationed itinerant merchants, who vend repulsive-looking concoctions of goods cooked in greasy, grimy vessels. As this food is covered by the dust or mud churned up by the endless stream of mule and bullock waggons which bump in and out of the city, it looks decidedly unenticing, but the coolies buy huge bowls of the mess, and shovel it into their mouths with the filthy-looking chopsticks, which are used by every customer. Before the eyes have time to taken in an impression of the quaint buildings and quainter peoples as we pass through the wall, the nose is assaulted by a multifold fetor which hangs poisonously in the almost stagnant air. There is no escaping from the smells. The garbage, which ferments in the sun, is scattered abroad every now and again by pariah dogs, hundreds of which are found in every city. Amid all this filth little naked Chinese children roll about, playing with the diseased dogs, and, judging by their appearance, thrive on it.

A STUDY IN BROWN.

All the streets of the city run either north and south or east and west. Looking along any of them one is struck by the impression of brownness which is supplied by every visible thing, relieved only by the blue garb of the Chinese, the green of an occasional tree, and, perchance, the gaudy hues of the wooden scroll-work of a temple. The houses are built of brown brick, and are roofed with brown tiles. The earth is brown, the people are more brown than yellow, and the very animals are brown. The drab spirit of hopeless antiquity broods over the place—a sombre essence which has seen hundreds of generations of brown humanity born, drag through their neutral-tinted existence, and return to the brown filth from which they sprang. In no cities in the world can the uselessness of a life lived purely for the sake of supplying the animal wants, and leaving uncultivated the higher intelligence, be more vividly realised than in China. It is their neglect of even the humbler arts which reconciles the Chinese to the squalid and repulsively dirty environment in which he pigs out his life. Coming from Japan, the most artistic, and consequently the cleanest, country in the world, the all-pervading foulness of the Chinese city and citizens alike fills one deeper with disgust. The Japanese makes of his habitation a temple of sweet-smelling cleanliness; the Chinese makes of his a bin of inexpressible filth. It is not surprising, in view of the indefatigable energy of the Japanese, that they have found time, even while prosecuting a war which one would think would suffice to occupy all their attention, to make the Chinese clean up their city a little. It is only a few days since the Japanese arrived here, but already the place is beginning to appear less like a gigantic forcing bed for disease germs. But there is one plague resulting from the filthy conditions of centuries which neither the Japanese nor anyone else can destroy, and that is the fly pest.

RESTRICTIONS UPON CORRESPONDENTS.

Quite naturally, the first intimation that we received after taking up our quarters here in a spacious Chinese house, which accommodates the 18 of us very well, was that we were not to leave the city without special permission. Obviously, it would never do to have correspondents nosing all over the country with imminent likelihood of their being potted by sentries, or getting themselves into some sort of trouble. Judging by the ease with which most of us succeeded in getting lost on the road up it would be odds on someone straying into the Russian lines eight miles north of us, or doing something just as undesirable. We can't complain, as we have full liberty to roam all over the city, and we may snapshot where we list. On the day after our arrival—that is to say, the 13th—we had to call upon General Oku and Prince Nashimoto at the headquarters, about a mile and a half to the south-east of the town. Ever since it has been raining solidly. We have to develop films before we can send them out of the country, and this has placed us in something of a quandary. It was impossible, as we had to content ourselves with a limited amount of baggage to carry much photographic material, and the belief was generally held that the authorities would permit us to send our undeveloped films to Tokio, and have prints taken there in the presence of a military official. It appears, however, that this is not likely to be allowed, at all events for a time. But for the photographic difficulty we have little to complain of. In regard to the censorship, which is usually the bane of the correspondents' existence, we may not give detailed information in regard to the disposition of troops or of their strength; but that is easily understandable. It will probably be found, however, when the great battle which is imminent takes place that a liberal interpretation will be placed on the regulation, which reads:—"The following is prohibited in all correspondence: Information in regard to military movements that are taking place at present time or are to take place in future, or supposition as to such movements." There is another regulation that prohibits us from mentioning the name of the place whence our correspondence is despatched, but this, I am led to believe, relates only to telegrams, and is only to be put into effect when absolutely necessary. From the manner is which the Japanese authorities usually conduct their business, I am perfectly satisfied that the censorship will be carried out in a generous and intelligent manner, and that the reason for any cause of complaint will probably be found in the correspondent himself.

VISIT TO GENERAL OKU.

I have had the pleasure of meeting General Oku. He, as you of course know, is one of the most prominent of the brilliant group of general officers whom Japan is fortunate to possess at this crisis in her career. This is not the first time our Commander-in-Chief has conducted a successful campaign in this portion of Chinese territory. In 1894 he crumpled up the Chinese troops in the peninsula, and now, though he has a sterner task before him, there is every probability that he will again successfully perform the mission which his Emperor has entrusted to him. The General is either somewhat taller than the average Japanese, or it may be that his commanding presence gives one the impression that he is above his inches. His face, with its suggestion of power, so riveted my attention that I failed to do more than remark that he was garbed in a kind of rifle green, with a peaked staff cap of the same colour, and that he wore a pair of black riding-boots. The only mark of his rank was three stars worn on his sleeves. The General has a thin black beard, just touched with grey. There was just a suspicion of weariness, of anxiety perhaps, in the eyes. We were presented and shook hands first with Prince Nashimoto, who holds a commission as a Captain in the Imperial Army, and who is attached to General Oku's staff, then with the General himself, and next with the Chief of Staff, Major-General Ochiai. One noticed the gracious manner in which the Imperial Prince, who, by the way, is a fine type of the Japanese gentleman, both in appearance and demeanour, effaced himself after the introductions were over, and quietly stood in the background while the Commander-in-Chief and the Chief of Staff delivered short orations to us in Japanese. The speeches were translated to us as they were made. The General was good enough to sympathise with us in regard to the rough time we had had coming up, to welcome us to his headquarters, and to express the hope that we would be as comfortable at the front as service conditions permitted. The other speech was largely on the same lines. Then we smoked one of the General's cigars, and rode back to our quarters in town. I should have said that headquarters is established in a Chinese house, surrounded by trees, and that absolute simplicity seemed the rule there. A significant sight that arrested our attention when first we entered the compound was two piles of Russian rifles and some band instruments, also the spoils of war.

POSITION OF THE ARMIES.

The censorship prevents one from writing in any exact terms in regard to the disposition of the Japanese troops. However, we have had certain information supplied us from headquarters of which I am at liberty to write. It seems that the Russian force immediately opposed to us consists of five divisions—say about 70,000 men. The main force is stationed in the neighbourhood of Anshantien, which is on the railway, but their lines would appear to extend about 10 miles S.W., 15 miles east of that station to east of Anshantien. The Russian position is strongly fortified, and it would appear from the map to be admirably adapted for a defensive battle. One of the most admirably served arms of the Japanese is the scouts. Headquarters always receives early and full reports in regard to any change in the enemy's position, and consequently when the Commander-in-Chief determines to strike he will know exactly where the blow can be delivered with the most crushing effect. All I can say about the Japanese position is that the river north of Hai-cheng, about four miles, is being defended by the second and fourth armies, the latter being the forces which landed at Takushan. The enemy's main cavalry force is stationed near Sufanti and there is a powerful mixed force on the extreme right.

THE PRIVILEGE OF A DIPLOMAT.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Mr. Phelps, a Massachussetts magistrate, fined Mr. Gurney, the third secretary of the British Embassy at Washington, £10 for furiously driving a motor, and for contempt of Court.

Mr. John Hay, the Secretary of State, ordered the remission of the fine, and that an apology be made by Mr. Phelps to Mr. Gurney.

Mr. Phelps refused to apologise, but ultimately yielded.

According to international law, the Secretaries of Embassy and Legation are especially entitled as official personages to the privileges of the diplomatic corps in respect to their exemption from local jurisdiction.

QUEENSLAND.

HOTEL BURNT DOWN.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Cluden Hotel, situated four miles from Townsville, was burnt down early on Tuesday morning. The building was insured for £780, and the contents for £180.

REDUCTIONS IN RENTS OF GRAZING FARMS.

Reductions made in the rents of grazing farms by the Land Court so far mean a loss to the State of £17,437. The recent sittings at Longreach and Barcaldine reduced the rentals by £6887. The Rockhampton and Emerald cases made a reduction of £7423. About 61 cases have yet to be heard, and it is expected that the total loss of revenue will be about £20,000.

At the City Police Court to-day Eli Worfold Sizer, licensee of the Normanby Hotel, Musgrove-road, was fined £10, with £5 9s 6d costs added, for selling schnapps adulterated with 29 per cent. of water.

The body of the kanaka lunatic who escaped from Goodna Asylum on Sunday night was found in the river to-day.

TASMANIA.

SUPPRESSION OF BETTING.

HOBART, Wednesday.

A deputation of clergymen and others waited on the Premier to-day, urging that in reference to the Suppression of Betting and Gaming Bill now before the Parliament alarm had arisen at the proposal to strike out the clause which limits the existence of Tattersall's to one year more, thus giving that institution an indefinite career. The deputationists submitted that public opinion should be tested by a referendum before action be taken; and that a settlement be postponed until the next session of Parliament.

The Premier promised that consideration would be given by the full Cabinet, but he explained that it was unlikely the people's representatives in the House would deal hastily with the bill.

SENSATIONAL GOLD DISCOVERY.

IN NORTHERN QUEENSLAND.

OVER 200OZ. TO THE TON.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Sensational rumours are afloat at Hughenden regarding a big find of gold in the Mackinlay Ranges, about 25 miles from Mackinlay, 45 from Cloncurry, and near the head of the Fullarton River. It is said that a big ironstone hill, impregnated with rich gold, has been located. Assays from a small parcel of stone show that it is very rich, as high as 245oz to the ton being obtained. The deposit is included in the area held by Croydon and Normanton men with plenty of capital behind them. The find is probably identical with that located in 1894 by a man travelling to Carondotta Station. The stone obtained in that year assayed 72oz to the ton. The discoverer of the find, however, died suddenly, and the exact position of the ironstone was not rediscovered until recently. The hill is in very rough, dry country, and there is no water at hand.

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A telegram from Hughenden states that the report in connection with the reported gold find in the Mackinlay Ranges is premature. A circumscribed area of stone, said to resemble Mount Morgan, has been discovered near the head of the Fullarton River, 60 miles south-east of Cloncurry. A specimen of the stone assayed at Croydon, it is reported, gave 212oz to the ton, but similar stuff dollied at Cloncurry gave no colours even. A Croydon syndicate has secured the bulk of the ground. There is nothing to warrant a rush. Several parties have set out to prospect in the vicinity, but the excitement is small.

Mr. J. K. Morice, who is leaving the firm of Wilkinson, Heywood, and Clark, Limited, to take up a more responsible position in the city, was presented on Saturday with a marble timepiece, with silver plate, suitably engraved, as a token of esteem from the manager and employees of the Sydney branch of the company.

SPECIAL CABLES.

(FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.)

THE FISCAL ISSUE.

THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN TELEGRAM.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Mr. Chamberlain has received a letter from Mr. Dunlop, of the Chambers of Commerce and Manufactures in Western Australia, confirming the cablegram sent him at Welbeck Abbey from the chambers on August 4, wishing him "God-speed" in his mission.

[Mr. Chamberlain, in answer to an inquiry by Mr. Pye, secretary of the Fremantle Chamber of Commerce, stated that he did not remember from which chamber he received the telegram, as the message was left behind at Welbeck Abbey, or was destroyed.]

Sir John Cockburn, in a letter to the "Times," referring to the statement by Lord Rosebery in his preface to the book on the Imperial Fiscal Question in Canada, by Messrs. Montague and Herbert, states that there is nothing in preferential tariffs between the motherland and the colonies incompatible with colonial fiscal independence.

THIBETAN AFFAIRS.

CHINESE COMMISSIONER APPOINTED.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

Tang-shao-ki, the Taotai at Tientsin, who received part of his education at Yale College, U.S.A., and was for some time secretary to Yuan-shi-kai, the Viceroy of Chi-li, has been given the rank of Lieutenant-General, and has been ordered to investigate and manage Thibetan affairs.

THE BRITISH MISSION.

The British mission to Thibet has quitted Lhassa, and will reach Gyangtse on October 5.

Before the mission left Lhassa the Thibetan Tipa (Regent) presented Brigadier-General Macdonald with a gold image of Buddha, and thanked him for having spared the monasteries.

IRISH REFORM ASSOCIATION.

IRISH UNIONISTS OPPOSE.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

The executive committee of the Irish Unionist Alliance has unanimously passed a resolution declaring that the Irish Reform Association, formed by the Earl of Dunraven, is self-constituted, and nowise representative, and that its programme is contrary to the principles consistently animating the great body of the Irish Unionists.

THE KING OF SAXONY.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

King George of Saxony is extremely ill. It is announced that his condition is critical.

LADY CURZON.

CONDITION VERY CRITICAL.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

Lady Curzon passed a fair night. She is still, however, in a critical condition.

Sept. 28.

Lady Curzon is worse. Her condition is exceedingly critical.

BANK OF AUSTRALASIA.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

The annual report of the Bank of Australasia shows that the fixed deposits amount to £15,106,271; cash and other securities, £5,673,560; and bills to £14,785,907.

THE WOOL SALES.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

Offerings at the wool sales to-day consisted chiefly of crossbreds. Prices were fully maintained.

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At the wool sales yesterday the following prices were realised for the undermentioned clips:—Kynuna 20d, Mount Margaret 19 7-8d, Woolahra 20d, Moa Flat 12½d, Gladbrook 11 3-8d, Wakio 11 3-8d.

THE AMERICAN WHEAT MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

The Chicago wheat market has declined twopence under heavy realising operations.

THE TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

At the sales of Australian tallow to-day 1420 casks were offered, and 940 sold. Prices realised were:—Mutton, fine 28s 9d, medium 26s 9d; beef, fine 27s 9d, medium 26s.

SILVER.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 2 13-16d per oz standard, a fall of 1-16d since yesterday.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

Whilst H.M. torpedo-boat destroyer Chamois was engaged in the Gulf of Patras, Greece, in making its full-speed trial a blade of the screw came off, and, piercing the bottom of the vessel, caused it to sink in 30 fathoms of water. The crew was saved.

[The Chamois had a displacement of 360 tons, and with an indicated horsepower of 5900. Her extreme speed was almost 30½ knots. She carried a crew of 62 men. Lieutenant and Commander Sydney H. Tennyson was her commander.]

The exports from the United States of manufactured goods during the year ended June 30 last increased in value by £9,000,000, whilst the total value of the goods imported into America decreased by £7,000,000.

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The North of Scotland distillery of the Dailuaine-Talisker Distilleries, Ltd., 94 to 98 Hardgate, Aberdeen, has been burned. Seven hundred thousand gallons of whisky were destroyed. The damage is estimated at £100,000.

The Boxers in the north-west of Shantung are distributing circulars fixing October 17 for the extermination of foreigners.

NEW ZEALAND.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

A public meeting at Dunedin has passed resolutions condemning the Government's action in regard to the totalisator.

THE COAL TRADE.

REDUCTION IN THE SELLING PRICE.

The Associated Colliery Proprietors of the Northern District have determined to lower the standard selling price of coal from 10s to 9s per ton, and to carry with it a reduction of 4d per ton in the hewing rate, to take effect from January 1 of next year. The existing selling price was determined last year upon which the miners are paid a hewing rate of 3s 10d per ton in accordance with what is known as a sliding scale adopted by both sides. But, owing to keen competition, slackness of trade, and other causes, the owners have found it necessary, in order to secure a portion of the foreign trade, to reduce the selling price to 9s. However, as a matter of fact, in some cases coal is now being sold at even a much less rate than the standard price, while the miners are still receiving the hewing rate agreed upon last year, so that they are, it is stated, receiving payment on a fictitious selling price of 10s. A few weeks ago the owners attempted to reduce the standard selling price to 9s, and consequently the hewing rate to 3s 6d. Fourteen days' notice of this intention was posted at the pits' mouth. The miners, however, applied to the Arbitration Court to compel the Colliery Proprietors to adhere to existing conditions. In this they were successful, and in giving the decision of the Court Mr. Justice Cohen held that, in accordance with an old-established custom of the Northern district, the associated owners must meet, and fix the selling price in September of each year, the same to take effect on the first of January following the meeting. It was in accordance with this opinion that the Associated Colliery Proprietors met on Tuesday, and decided that from January 1 next the selling price should be 9s per ton.

This decision was at once made known to the Miners' Federation, and, as one of the proprietors said yesterday, the men will have three months to think it over. What action the federation will take remains to be seen. It is worthy of note that nearly all the leading collieries are not included in the Associated Collieries of the Northern District. The non-associated companies include the A. and A. Company, who are owners of the Sea Pit; Messrs. J. and A. Brown, proprietors of the Pelaw Main and other collieries; the Wallsend Coal Company; the Newcastle Coal Company, which owns two pits at Merewether; and the Caledonian Company, which also owns three well-known pits. These non-associated companies employ by far the greater number of men, and conduct the major portion of the trade. But Mr. Justice Cohen has, it is stated, on several occasions held that only those who signed the 1893 agreement or their successors can fix the standard selling price of coal.

There is a strong feeling among the proprietors that trade is so bad at the present time, and will remain so under existing conditions, that there will be a good deal of idle time for the men between this and January 1, and that the men will see the wisdom of falling in with the decision of the Associated Proprietors.

THE POSITION IN NEWCASTLE.

CONSEQUENT REDUCTION IN THE HEWING RATE.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The resolution passed by the Northern Colliery Proprietors' Association at the meeting held in Sydney yesterday, notifying a reduction in the declared selling price of coal from 10s to 9s per ton, to operate from January 1 next, was anticipated here, and occasioned no surprise. It was expected in some quarters, however, that the reduction would have been more pronounced, namely, in harmony with the actual market value of coal at the present time, or what may reasonably be forecasted as the ruling rate for next year. The notice involves a reduction in the standard hewing rate of from 3s 10d to 3s 6d per ton, affecting only the mines in the Newcastle district, and the resolution is therefore a repetition of the fortnight's notice which was given at the beginning of the present month by the Proprietors' Association. The decision of the Arbitration Court on Friday last respecting the latter notice need not be referred to, beyond pointing out that in holding the two formal meetings yesterday, namely of the signatories to the 1893 agreement, and of the proprietors' association as it now exists, the evident intention of the double-barrel meeting was to leave no loophole from the Court's decision on the exactly similar situation which arose in May of last year. As was then the case, the proprietors have now to pay the miners for the balance of the year a larger hewing rate than they are legitimately entitled to.

Although in May of last year a section of the proprietors also stood out of the association, they joined in giving notice of the reduction which operated on January 1st last, from 11s to 10s per ton, and though no expressed intention of their attitude at the present time is known, it is expected that the general effect will be given to the reduction notified by the Proprietors' Association yesterday. For one thing, it is a notorious fact unanimously recognised by the colliery owners that for a long time the hewing rate has not been by any means in conformity with the actual selling price of coal, and the force of circumstances necessitating an alteration is, and will be, more pressing than at the close of last year. In the same way the miners must recognise the force of circumstances in the absence of any indications of improvement in the coal trade generally. There appears to be every prospect of an abundant harvest next season in all the wheat-growing States, and a consequent scarcity of sailing tonnage for the coal trade may be expected to prevail for a considerable period.

It is obviously impossible, however, for anyone to forecast with absolute certainty the condition of the trade for over a year, and in this respect the Proprietors' Association stands in a very peculiar position, because, apparently, so long as the decision of the Arbitration Court exists, the declared selling price of the leading Newcastle collieries must be notified in September for a yearly period from January 1 ensuing. When it is recognised that this decision is based on an agreement which existed in 1893 and terminated in 1893, it may be reasonably held that the local conditions of the coal trade have undergone many important changes. During the past ten years, for instance, there has been additional development. The South Maitland coalfields are now an important factor in competition, and the absurdity of the position of the Newcastle collieries is apparent from the fact that under an award of the Court the hewing rate at certain groups of collieries is based on the actual price obtained for the coal f.o.b. at Newcastle. There is no declaration about the price for a yearly period, and it does not need much commercial acumen to judge which is the best able to compete for trade, especially that which is contracted for over lengthened periods.

The Arbitration Court established the principle in the district of allowing certain groups of mines to fix their own selling price, as it suits, in a business sense, and on that selling price, averaged over half-yearly periods, the hewing rate is based. It is reasonable to expect that until the Newcastle collieries are placed in a position of similar advantage the trade will continue disorganised. It is a position created by the Court, which has ruled that under the 1893 agreement the proprietors of the Newcastle collieries have not the right to fix the selling price of their product from time to time. The very fact, however, of the colliery owners who signed that agreement terminating it themselves at the end of 1893, would lead many people to the conclusion that the proprietors by that act emphasised their right of fixing the price from time to time. The dispute on this point has been hung up in the Court for nearly two years past, and is apparently likely to be for another two years hence. Until it is settled, therefore, any change proposed by the Proprietors' Association will be at once alleged as a breach of the existing conditions. Literally speaking, the Arbitration Court has the Proprietors' Association by the throat.

While recognising the motives which prompted the Court to offer the suggestion on Friday that the parties should endeavour to arrive at a common agreement, it is not anticipated that the suggestion will be seriously entertained. Early last year the Court, when sitting in Newcastle, made the same suggestion, and, adopting it, the proprietors submitted a draft agreement which was unanimously rejected by the other side. At the request of the Miners' Federation and Proprietors' Association subsequently reopened the negotiations, and a sub-committee from both sides adopted an agreement which was then sent out for the endorsement of the miners' lodges. The whole affair was conducted with absolute secrecy, so far as the public and press were concerned, and in a manner befitting a case that was sub judice. It is unnecessary, therefore, to lift the veil which surrounded the taking of the ballot of the proposed agreement which it is understood met every possible contingency that could arise in the district. It is sufficient to say that after nearly 12 months of negotiating the propose dagreement was rejected. Under the circumstances of such recent experience the renewed suggestion of the Court is not likely to be regarded as practical, and the dispute will have to hang like Mahomet's coffin until the Court can hear it. That tribunal will feel temerity in approaching the matter, for it will be an appalling task, and the largest undertaking that has yet come before it.

THE FEDERAL MINISTRY.

WANT OF CONFIDENCE DEBATE.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTERS.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Sir William Lyne resumed his speech in the no-confidence debate a few minutes after the House of Representatives met this afternoon. Mr. Reid was his theme. He cannot well make a speech in which there is any chance of bringing in the Prime Minister's name without doing so. He charged Mr. Reid with intriguing to oust the Deakin Government, this intrigue consisting in voting on its side in the division on which it went out of office last April, but giving his followers full liberty to vote as they pleased, with a private hint to vote against it. Mr. Reid interjected that this remark was untrue, and was ordered by the Speaker to withdraw the objectionable adjective; and then he qualified his denial by saying that Sir Wiliam Lyne's assertion was absolutely without foundation. Sir William Lyne's present support of the Labour party may possibly be a return for the support given him in the past. He said to-day that the Labour party had enabled the Barton and Deakin Governments to retain office for three years, and it ill became any member of that party to reflect now upon the Labour party. Common gratitude was an excellent virtue in its place. His speech was altogether an attack upon the Prime Minister, with short excursions into little side matters, but he always got back to his theme. To do it justice, he had to go back to New South Wales politics of seven years ago, and, of course, the old controversy concerning Mr. Reid's management of the State finances had to receive attention. So had the New South Wales railways and tramways, which are not managed by private corporations; so had almost everything that New South Wales owns. The House, however, had grown tired of New South Wales' dirty linen, but when Mr. Ewing took his turn at the washtub its langour vitalised into living interest. Mr. Ewing was making Sir William Lyne his theme. He is, like the member for Hume, a protectionist, and he deplored the fact that protection was not in favour with New South Wales electors, and Sir William Lyne was the cause of this. Sir William Lyne had ruined the prospects of that policy in New South Wales. He had spoiled everything he touched. Mr. Chanter tried to create a diversion in Sir William Lyne's favour by asking Mr. Ewing: "What is your position now?" "We are where we were," replied Mr. Ewing. The policy which was good enough for the hon. member when the Deakin Government was in power was not good enough now for him. Labour members of New South Wales had their turn in a little interpolation by Mr. Ewing, who recited a short history of how protectionist Labour members in that State voted for freetrade for the sake of a land tax of one penny on farmers' land, but he hastened to do an act of justice to Sir William Lyne. Hitherto he had been criticising him. Now he wanted to show wherein he had been consistent. Sir William Lyne, he remarked, never sank the fiscal issue when out of office, but always sank it while he was in office. "That," interjected Mr. Chanter, "is not fair. He was a member of the Dibbs Government, which brought in protection." Mr. Ewing acknowledged the correction, and qualified his statement by saying that Sir William Lyne sank the fiscal issue every time but one when he was in office. As to the Labour party's socialism, he wound up a stirring speech by an epigram:—"Socialism handcuffs intelligence and legirons ability." Mr. Maloney created a diversion by washing up some dirty linen from Victoria, and prophesied great tribulation for all those who were not of the Labour party and their allies. Mr. Maloney's remarks covered the political history of all the States for the last decade, and every few minutes he was asked by the Speaker whether he proposed to connect his remarks with the question under debate. Finally Sir Frederick Holder called attention to the Standing Orders, and pointedly stated that he did not wish to put them in force. Mr. Maloney sat down after a speech of more than three hours in length.

Sir John Quick followed, and in almost his opening sentences intimated that he meant to vote against the motion. He then addressed himself to the present situation in Federal politics. The House, he said, was only nine months back from the polls. During that time two Governments had fallen, and the third was fighting for its existence. Such a state of things was calculated to destroy confidence in and threaten the stability of the Federal edifice.

The House had been fairly well behaved while Mr. Maloney was delivering his platitudes, but when Sir John Quick began to get into the heart of things he was considerably interrupted. The Speaker called order several times, but he was scarcely heard, let alone heeded. Consequently he rose and informed Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Joseph Cook, and Sir William Lyne that he did not wish to put the Standing Orders in force. Mr. Cook apologised at once. Sir John Quick proceeded with his speech, and in about a minute Mr. Cook rose to a point of order and complained that Sir William Lyne was throwing imputations of bribery and corruption on the part of the Prime Minister across the Chamber. Mr. Sydney Smith rose and intimated that he had unwittingly grown disorderly because of these imputations. Sir William Lyne explained that the bribery and corruption statements had been referred to by him and proved in his speech that afternoon. The Speaker read all the members concerned a homily on disorderly interjections. Sir John Quick obtained leave to continue his speech to-morrow. The House soon afterwards adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE.

RESUMPTION OF THE DEBATE.

The debate on Mr. Watson's motion, "That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House," was continued to-day in the House of Representatives.

Sir WM. LYNE (N.S.W.), continuing his speech, which had been commenced on the previous evening, said there were many strong reasons why this Government should be dismissed from office. The man who destroyed the Deakin Government was Mr. Deakin's present leader. (Opposition cheers.)

The PRIME MINISTER: I shall make a personal explanation after this. (Laughter.) If I had not voted for Mr. Deakin on that occasion I would have been sent for.

Sir WM. LYNE said it was well known that while Mr. Reid voted with the Deakin Government, he instigated many of his followers to vote against the Government. (Opposition cheers.)

The PRIME MINISTER: Untrue.

The SPEAKER: Order. The Prime Minister must withdraw.

The PRIME MINISTER: Not untrue; but absolutely without foundation. (Laughter.)

Sir WM. LYNE: Mr. Reid had complained bitterly to the press on that occasion that he had not been sent for.

The PRIME MINISTER: I cried bitterly. (Laughter.)

Sir WM. LYNE: Then Mr. Reid proceeded by unprecedented trick to get Mr. Watson out. Discussing the Arbitration Bill, he said that when Mr. Deakin first introduced the measure it contained a provision for preference to unionists, other things being equal, and Sir John Forrest was in favour of that proposal. ("Oh, oh.")

Sir JOHN FORREST (W.A.): That is most unfair.

Sir WM. LYNE: Mr. Deakin had specifically promised the Watson Government fair play, and his subsequent action did not redound to his credit. What would the public think of Mr. Reid swallowing the Arbitration Bill with the Railway Servants provision in it after his frequent denunciation of that proposal? (Hear, hear.) He declared that Mr. Reid was not sincere on the Old-age Pensions. Mr. Reid's action in the matter when Premier of New South Wales was proof of that. It would be advisable to get New South Wales and Victoria to consent to the Commonwealth retaining out of the Customs the money that those States now paid in pensions. The Commonwealth could then at once proceed to pass an Old-age Pensions Act. If that were not done the money must come from a land tax. Referring to the Iron Bonus Bill he said that members of the Opposition alliance would be able to vote as they pleased on the question of State or private control.

Mr. JOSEPH COOK (N.S.W.): Are we to understand that all the Opposition members will vote for the bill?

Sir WM. LYNE: Yes; there will be a united vote for it.

The PRIME MINISTER: Now we hear things. (Laughter.)

Sir WM. LYNE denied that the protectionists who were allied with Labour had got very little. The protectionists with Mr. Reid had deserted their principles.

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS: You held a meeting before we took action.

Mr. ISAACS (Vic.) and Mr. GROOM (Q.): No, no.

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS: We have taken no action yet. (Loud Opposition laughter.)

Mr. ISAACS: You are committed to inaction. (Hear, hear, and laughter.)

Sir WM. LYNE urged that Mr. Reid in his expressed desire to consider the action of the tariff in regard to all items was simply playing a game of bluff. It was an attempt to shelve the question, for the Commission would take many years to cover all the tariff.

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS: Are you in favour of tinkering with it every year? (Hear, hear.)

Sir WM. LYNE: Not at all.

The PRIME MINISTER: Will you mention the list of items you propose to deal with, and those you intend to leave out?

Sir WILLIAM LYNE: None were to be left out. Mr. M'Lean had charged the Opposition with land confiscation. That was incorrect. He favoured the resumption of large estates at their full value, and leasing for very long terms, so that the properties could not get back to the big holders. The outcry against socialism was exaggerated. As a matter of fact, people recognised the advantages they were obtaining from such socialistic enterprises as the New South Wales Government railways and tramways. (Hear, hear.)

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS: Those are not socialistic.

Sir WILLIAM LYNE thought that any man who favoured the Government ownership of railways or tramways should cease to oppose socialism. (Dissent.)

Mr. KELLY (N.S.W.): Benefit to the farmers is benefit to the whole community.

Sir WILLIAM LYNE: Socialism benefited the whole community. (Opposition cheers.) He certainly opposed the wild schemes of wealth redistribution, but that had not been advocated by the Labour party. (Hear, hear.)

Sir JOHN FORREST: No one objects to you joining the Labour party. (Laughter.)

Sir WILLIAM LYNE did not know enough of the tobacco monopoly to be decided in opinion on it, but it had one of the biggest financial combines in the world at its back, and had raised the price of tobacco and cigars. (Dissent.) Where monopolies injured the public he was certainly socialistic. (Hear, hear.) The Opposition alliance programme contained no extreme socialism, but the party would be the nucleus of a great Liberal force to fight the conservative movement behind the Prime Minister. Mr. Reid could not point to one Liberal measure in New South Wales that he had carried. The coalition opposite was the outcome of hunger for office.

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS: How many portfolios have you been promised? (Laughter.)

Sir WILLIAM LYNE: None. He believed Mr. Reid had driven his wedge into the protection party under the cover of coalition. Freetraders were organising on all sides. The Chamber of Manufactures at Sydney, having obtained what protection it wanted, had now joined the Employers' Federation, and was fighting protection on behalf of others. He attacked Mr. Reid's financial policy when Premier of New South Wales, and said that Mr. Reid had been guilty of what was practically bribery in connection with the Neild case.

Mr. JOSEPH COOK: You dare not say that outside.

Sir WILLIAM LYNE claimed that the Opposition alliance was open and honest. While opposed to extreme socialism he would go a long way in State socialism, and legislation against monopolies. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. EWING (N.S.W.) said that Sir William Lyne had been responsible for the destruction of protection in New South Wales. Protection there had been progressive until Sir William Lyne became its leader. His influence in New South Wales was shown by the fact that the State only returned four protectionist members to this House. (Hear, hear.) Sir William Lyne had smashed everything he touched, including protection. (Laughter.)

Mr. CHANTER (N.S.W.): What is your position?

Mr. EWING: We are where we were before. The policy which was good enough for Mr. Chanter when the Deakin Government was in office was not good enough for him now. He (Mr. Ewing) had said a good deal against Sir William Lyne, but he would say that Sir William had never sunk a fiscal issue—when out of office. (Laughter.) Sir William Lyne had always kept up the fiscal issue, except when he was in office. (Laughter.) When at the head of the New South Wales Government Sir William Lyne had said nothing about protection. (Hear, hear.) The State railways were not socialism, but rather State commercialism. The socialistic dream of the nationalisation of industries was doomed to disappointment, because the brains could not be nationalised. (Hear, hear.) Australia already offered an unrivalled opportunity for the rapid rise of the poor man. That was clearly shown in the fact that this was a poor man's Parliament. The coalition of freetraders and protectionists was necessary to combat the policy of socialism, which if allowed to proceed would destroy individualism, and undermine the country's best interests. (Cheers.)

Mr. MALONEY (Vic.) attacked the Government. He charged Ministerialists with poor attendance in the Chamber.

Mr. G. B. EDWARDS (N.S.W.): If there are any more debates like this a team of bullocks would not drag me here. (Hear, hear, and laughter.)

Mr. MALONEY continued to speak at length on various matters connected with the State, and was referring to the flogging of natives in Western Australia.

The SPEAKER called his attention to the standing orders, which require that the debate shall have some relevancy to the matter before the Chair. He said he hoped it would not be necessary to enforce the standing orders if the hon. member did not confine his remarks to the question under debate.

Sir JOHN QUICK (Vic.) congratulated Mr. Moloney on his powers of endurance. (Laughter.) He would vote with the Government. (Ministerial cheers.) Mr. Watson would have shown greater capacity as a leader if he had subordinated his ambition until he had a better cause for such a motion. The new Government should have been given time to develop its policy. After resigning voluntarily on a detail, Mr. Watson immediately afterwards was seeking to get back to office. (Ministerial cheers.) That evening this Government had been charged with insincerity on the Immigration Restriction Act legislation. Yet Mr. Hughes came down to the House and complained that Mr. Reid had not reversed his (Mr. Hughes') policy. (Cheers.) How could the Prime Minister disobey a law which he was sworn to obey? Referring to the personal feeling displayed against Mr. Reid, he expressed the hope that the House would judge members on their Federal action. (Ministerial cheers.)

Sir WILLIAM LYNE: What about bribery and corruption? (Uproar.)

Mr. J. COOK: Yew yow yow. (Disorder.)

The SPEAKER asked such experienced members as the Postmaster-General, Mr. J. Cook, and Sir William Lyne not to set the House a bad example.

Mr. J. COOK said it was impossible to listen to charges of bribery and corruption hurled across the Chamber. Was such a disgraceful procedure in order?

Sir WILLIAM LYNE: I made a charge of bribery and corruption against the leader of the Government this afternoon, and proved it by documentary evidence. (Disorder.) I was surprised when Sir John Quick said he would support a man with a record like Mr. Reid's. (Laughter.)

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS called attention to the use of the word "bribe" in that Chamber. It was a most serious charge, which no member should make against another. He asked if it should not be withdrawn.

The SPEAKER said that when Sir William Lyne had used the words in the afternoon he did so as part of a quotation from a report bearing upon a New South Wales matter some years ago. Thus he had not been able to take action. He had not heard Sir William Lyne using the words across the Chamber to-night, or he would have asked for their withdrawal.

Sir JOHN QUICK declined to believe ex parte statements about Mr. Reid. (Cheers.) He thought it a scandal that such things should be introduced in the Federal Parliament. (Cheers.) He moved the adjournment of the debate.

Sir WILLIAM LYNE said he would make a personal explanation about the matter to-morrow.

The debate was adjourned.

MR. CAMERON'S VOTE.

It is reported to-night that Mr. Cameron has satisfied himself that Mr. Reid has not changed his attitude with regard to black labour on mail steamers, and is, therefore, prepared to support the Government in the present motion. Mr. Isaacs states that his party is prepared to take action this session which will give Parliament an opportunity of giving its verdict on the preferential trade question.

FOUND DEAD IN A WELL.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

August Wordehoff, aged 37 years, a single man, who had been missing since Sunday, was found dead in a well, [illegible] deep, at [illegible] Bay. The body [illegible]

VICTORIA.

WEBSTER v SHAW.

IMPORTANT INSURANCE JUDGMENT.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Chief Justice to-day read the proposed minutes of his judgment in the insurance case of Webster v Shaw. By these the Australian Alliance Company is directed to pay to its life insurance fund two sums of £31,824 and £2000, with interest at 5 per cent., with the yearly rents from October 14, 1884, the Australasian Insurance Company being also directed to repay the £2000. The Australian Alliance Company is ordered to pay three sums of £7618, £14,000, and £1916 to the same fund as profits wrongly distributed to shareholders, instead of being included in the life insurance fund. The rate of interest to be fixed by the chief clerk, and to correspond with the rate of interest earned by the life department of the company since 1878, 1883, and 1901, the dates respectively of the three distributions complained of. Judgment is to be entered for the plaintiff, with costs, as to these amounts, and judgment for the defendant, with costs, is to be given on the issues as to working expenses and reinsurances.

REGISTRATION OF BRANDS.

A deputation from the Stock Owners' Protection Association waited upon the Minister for Lands, Mr. Murray, to-day, to ask that a bill to provide for registration of brands should be brought before Parliament. If all brands were registered and catalogued, and the catalogues circulated throughout the State, thefts of sheep would be greatly reduced.

Mr. Murray said he fully concurred with the suggestion. Everybody should be compelled to brand their stock. He would consider the proposal of the deputation.

PREMIER PERMANENT B.L.I. ASSOCIATION.

Some time ago a Supreme Court order was made on the final winding up of the Premier Permanent Building, Land, and Investment Association, directing Colonel Templeton to pay into the Court certain moneys representing unclaimed dividends belonging to persons whose whereabouts could not be found, in order that claimants hearing of the order made might make applications for the sums due to them. Several applications were so made, and after six months, by virtue of the terms of the order, the moneys still unclaimed were paid over to the receiver of revenue. To-day an application was made to Mr. Justice A'Beckett for an order directing the receiver to pay £210 14s 11d, alleged to be due to John F. Gaunaway, of Glen Makohuku, New Zealand, clergyman. His Honor said he would make no order, as he thought there was no jurisdiction left in the Court after the final winding up of the company, and the passing of the money out of the Court's custody. The application could be renewed if any authority could be found to the effect that the Court had jurisdiction.

PUBLIC SERVANTS AND FREE SPEECH.

Speaking at the Bankers' Institute recently, Mr. D. Esterre Taylor, of the Savings Bank, strongly condemned the banking proposals of the Watson Ministry. The Premier, Mr. Bent, is of opinion that Mr. Taylor, as a public servant, did not act judiciously in criticising proposed legislation, which he might be called upon to carry into effect. Mr. Bent added that in the same way Mr. Crowe, the dairy expert, should not have commented upon various Acts of Parliament as he had done on different occasions.

DISPOSAL OF MELBOURNE BOOM PROPERTY.

Under instructions from the Commissioners of the Savings Banks, Messrs. John Buchanan and Company have completed the sale of Bluestone, a property in Elizabeth-street, north of Flinders-lane, having a frontage of about 160ft, at a price of about £90,000, being equivalent to the amount at which the property stands in the commissioners' ledger. The property was erected by the old firm of Messrs. Brown and Stewart, now out of existence. It was sold in boom time for about £160,000, and was passed on to a company at over £200,000.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

THE AGRICULTURAL BANK.

PERTH, Wednesday.

The report of the Agricultural Bank for the year ended June 30 shows that the amount of loans advanced to settlers during the period totalled £109,450. The profit on the year's operations was £2036, and the total profit made up to date £3024.

The King's Theatre at Fremantle, a new building capable of seating 1200 persons, was opened by the Knight-Jeffries Company last night.

BOULDER PERSEVERANCE COMMISSION.

LATE UNDERGROUND MANAGER EXAMINED.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

The Boulder Perseverance inquiry advanced another stage to-day, when the late underground manager, Michael Flynn, was examined. This witness stated he remembered being told by Harry Nichols in January that the mill averages were falling, and that the month's output would not be maintained. He however, thought it would. The stopes relied on at that time to furnish the output were those at the 500ft and 700ft levels. It was not until some time after that the continued fall in the values shown by these blocks of ore suggested to witness that their grade had been over-estimated. When Bewick, Moreing, and Co. took over the management of the mine witness was asked by Prichard for information as to the mine values. He, however, refused to supply the required information. Later on, however, he did so at Harry Nichols' request. The figures which he gave Prichard when the latter was sampling the mine in May last were from memory. He could not put his hand at that moment on the daily assays to justify the figures supplied. The marked discrepancy between his estimate and that arrived at in June last by Bewick, Moreing, and Co.'s samplers was in his opinion due to the latter being strangers, and not properly sampling the mine. They had omitted to take into account blocks of ore showing good values. Had they had a thorough knowledge of the mine and taken samples properly, their estimate would have been much bigger. Every level should have been sampled, both top and bottom, but in the sampling done under the supervision of Bewick, Moreing, and Co. only roof samples were taken. Then, again, certain blocks of ore had been entirely overlooked. Witness positively denied that he had ever "beared" the shares or had received any pecuniary consideration from an outsider for furnishing information anent the condition of the mine workings. Witness still thought that the estimate of ore reserves made in December last was nearer the mark than the two others which had since been made. Prior to this year the estimates of ore reserves furnished to the directors had always been borne out by the actual results.

At this stage the inquiry was adjourned till Friday to enable Flynn to go through the assay books and endeavour to justify the set-off figures as to the mine values supplied by him to Prichard in May last.

CASUALTIES AND FATALITIES.

KILLED BY MACHINERY.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Charles Price, a youth, became entangled in machinery at the tramway sheds, Brisbane, on Tuesday, and was killed instantly.

FOUND DEAD IN THE WEST.

WILCANNIA, Wednesday.

The body of a man, identified as that of John Cook, was found on Murtee station on Sunday by an aboriginal. A magisterial inquiry elicited the information that Cook left the station about six weeks ago, and was travelling to Bourke. His body was found lying on some bushes, which he had apparently pulled. Cook was a man of some 65 years of age, and had apparently died from weakness. He has friends at Mannum or Gawler, South Australia.

SUPPOSED CASE OF SUICIDE.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Early this morning the body of a man, who is supposed to have been James Price, of Coolangatta, was discovered lying in Roma-street, with a revolver at his feet. It is supposed to be a case of suicide.

COROWA, Wednesday.

The police on Tuesday afternoon recovered from the Murray River, about two miles below where an overcoat was found on the bank, the body of a man named Williams, who disappeared from the Star Hotel about three weeks ago.

GLEN INNES, Wednesday.

The body of an old man named Wych was found in the creek on Monday morning. At an inquest on Tuesday a verdict of accidental death was returned.

PURITY IN THE CUP.—A.B.C. Tea is Pure Tea.—Advt.

COUNTRY NEWS.

FIRES.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

An open verdict was returned at the inquest at Woolomin yesterday concerning the origin of a fire which destroyed a wooden house, owned by L. Perfrement. The dwelling was unoccupied at the time of the fire. It was insured for £150.

MUNICIPAL.

LOAN FOR BROKEN HILL.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

At last night's council meeting it was resolved to borrow from the Temperance General Mutual Life Assurance Society £18,000, to be proportioned thus: The repayment of the bank overdraft, £5000; laying water from the Imperial and White Lead dams, £3000; erection of cold storage chambers, £2000; erection of abattoirs, £5000; erection of saleyards, £3000. Alderman Wiseman gave notice of his intention at the next meeting to move that the resolution be rescinded.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday.

The Ingleburn Council has decided to invite the co-operation of Campbelltown and Liverpool Councils in an effort to induce the Government to take over Pembroke-road, from Leumeah to Cross roads. In consequence of the receipt of a reply from the Postmaster-General's Department through Mr. Fuller, M.P., declining to accede to a request to extend the late delivery to a mile and a quarter from the post-office, owing to the scattered and sparse nature of the population, the council has decided to communicate further with the department, intimating that there is ample time to deliver the mail during the afternoon.

Mr. W. Johnson, accountant and auditor, who was entrusted with the work of designing and opening the new books for the Liverpool Council, in the course of a report stated: "The total liabilities are £5221 6s 9d, against assets of £4375 1s 5d, thus showing an apparent deficit of £846 5s 4d. Against this, however, can be placed a large number of improvements in the shape of roads and various works, which have cost a great deal of money, but are not assessed in your books, so that the shortage is only on paper, and does not by any means indicate that the borough is insolvent." Mr. Johnson also made suggestions with regard to the keeping of the accounts of the gas works. The report was adopted.

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

In giving his report at the council meeting last night, Alderman Tribe, one of the delegates to the recent Municipal Conference at Sydney, said it was waste of time attending the conference, as the same things were discussed year after year.

THE CHURCHES.

BERRIGAN, Wednesday.

A bazaar, held during show week to liquidate the debt of a convent building here, resulted in a profit of £430. The nuns will arrive on Friday.

MOSS VALE, Wednesday.

The ceremony of the induction of the Rev. J. H. Craig, who has recently been appointed to the charge of the Presbyterian Church in succession to the Rev. Mr. M'Neil, took place this afternoon, the service being conducted by the Rev. J. M'Kee. An entertainment was given in the evening to extend a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Craig.

W.C.T. UNION.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union's annual meeting was held last night, the Rev. Walker Taylor presiding. The Revs. Alex. Clarke (Presbyterian), J. Hulme (Methodist), and Mrs. Beer, president, delivered appeals bearing on the principles of the union.

CIRCUIT COURTS.

WAGGA, Wednesday.

At the Circuit Court to-day Edward Fogarty, who was convicted of stealing a battery plate and £20 worth of gold from the Kimo mine, near Gundagai, was sentenced to three years' hard labour. Bertram Carter, a youth, pleaded guilty to forging the name of J. G. Fletcher to a cheque for a small amount, and was remanded for sentence.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The sittings of the Maitland Circuit Court were continued this morning before Mr. Justice Pring. Bruce Wallace Thompson, aged 15, was charged with maliciously injuring one plateglass window the property of Jane Jones, of Kurri Kurri, of the value of £6. The accused was acquitted on the ground of insanity, and his Honor ordered that he be detained in Darlinghurst Goal during the Governor's pleasure. Spero Corpato pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting John Kelegis at Newcastle. As the accused had served one month awaiting trial he was discharged. John Dawson was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for entering the Newcastle railway station with intent to steal therefrom. Richard Graham pleaded guilty to breaking and entering the counting house of the New South Wales Aerated Water Company at Wickham, and stealing a double-barrelled breechloading gun. He also pleaded guilty to five other charges of stealing. The prisoner was sentenced to 12 months' on each charge, the sentences to be cumulative. Thomas M'Kenzie, who pleaded guilty to stealing a horse, also a sulky, and set of harness, was sentenced to nine months' on each charge, the sentences to be cumulative. Frederick Wilson, who yesterday pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary, was sentenced to two years.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

A meeting last night made preliminary arrangements for band and other musical contests on New Year's Day. The prizes will amount to over £200.

GULGONG, Wednesday.

Great indignation is expressed here at the Government removing the clerk of Petty Sessions, and using the police to perform the duties. The Mayor is forwarding a petition against the action.

LISMORE, Wednesday.

Between 30 and 40 magistrates were present to-day when the police magistrate read a farewell address to Inspector Carroll, who has obtained six months' leave of absence, after the expiration of which he will retire on a pension.

An old-age pensioner named Lovell MacDougall was to-day committed for trial on a charge of making a false declaration in his original application.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

HOSPITAL BALL.

The tradespeoples' annual ball in aid of the funds of the Parramatta District Hospital was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening. The hall was well filled, and both financially and socially the gathering was a great success. The secretaries were Mr. W. J. Airey and Miss Luckey. The effort will mean a substantial cheque to the hospital, as the ladies on the committee collected a good sum in the way of donations.

BREACH OF THE POSTAL ACT.

At the Parramatta Police Court yesterday, Frank Davis was charged by the Postal Department with knowingly sending by post a certain article, to wit, a postcard, which had thereon grossly offensive words. A second charge accused the same defendant with sending by post a postcard having thereon words of an indecent character. Mr. Frawley appeared for the defendant, who pleaded not guilty to both charges. William Sutherland Gowan, postal detective, deposed to showing the defendant the two postcards, and he admitted having written one of them. Matthew Baty stated that he received the postcard marked "B." At the time he thought it was grossly offensive. Defendant was an acquaintance of his, and he could not now say whether the card was meant to be offensive or not. When he found out who sent it, he did not worry further about it. The defendant admitted having sent the two cards. Both were sent to personal friends. The card sent to Baty was meant as a joke, and in the other one he intended no indecency. The D.S.M. (Mr. W. Clarke) said the Act under which the cases were brought provided a severe penalty, a fine not exceeding £100, or imprisonment not exceeding two years. In the first case he would inflict a light penalty, as this was the first case of the kind that had been taken under the Act. The fine would be £5, and 5s 6d costs, in default two months' imprisonment in Darlinghurst Gaol with hard labour. In the second case the defendant would be given the benefit of the doubt as to the offensive character of the words, and the case would be dismissed. The S.M. added that in similar cases proven before him, heavy penalties would be imposed, as he was determined to put a stop to such practices.

A WOMAN DROWNED.

The body of a middle-aged woman was found on the beach at Coogee Beach yesterday morning. It had evidently been washed up by the waves. The police conveyed the body to the Morgue, where it was identified as that of Eliza Colvin, a married woman, lately residing at Hurstville. She left her home about 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, but did not state where she was going.

During May the paid admissions to the St. Louis Exhibition numbered 542,028. Not counting workmen, there were 459,363 admissions by pass.

Britain holds the record for missionaries with a total of 5136. Next comes the United States with 4110, and Germany is a bad third with 1515.

EMPLOYERS' FEDERATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

DESIRED AMENDMENT OF THE ARBITRATION ACT.

ANTI-SOCIALISTIC MOVEMENT.

The second annual meeting of the Employers' Federation of New South Wales was held at Aarons' Hotel, Gresham-street, last night. There was a large attendance of members, and the president (Mr. Henry Hudson) occupied the chair.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report gave an outline of the work of the executive committee during the year, which it was claimed, was bearing satisfactory fruits. On the subject of the Industrial Arbitration Act, the report stated:—"The working of the State Arbitration Act has occupied your committee's attention, but any lengthy allusion to it is unnecessary just now, as the effect it is having on the industrial life, trade, and commerce of this State, is too terribly apparent. With the change of Ministry which has just taken place, we hope to see some very necessary amendments introduced, which will prove as much in the interests of employees as of employers. Mention should, however, be made of one feature in connection with the administration of the Act, which is not only causing widespread complaint among the employers, but creating serious misapprehension among the majority of the employees in this State, that is—"that preference of employment must be given to unionists." The very serious character of the inclusion of such a clause in the awards of the court can only be truly appreciated when it is considered that out of a working or industrial population of over 500,000 in this State, unionists number only some 12,000 at the most. Then, further, in the ranks of the unions there are just new numbers of tradesman who would not be there except under this legal compulsion. It is necessary to point out that in this matter the people of New South Wales were very seriously misled when the measure was first placed before them, as it was then represented that the clause which deals with the question, being directory and not mandatory, would seldom or never be enforced, whereas the judgments of the Court have enforced it in every award. We are justified in hoping for an amendment to be introduced in connection with this, as the present ruling and the awards of the Court do not leave it in the hands of the employer to decide as to whom he shall employ. If the unionist is the better man, he will get the employment, for it is absurd to suggest, as is done in these awards, that an employer's antagonism to the Act would induce him to act detrimentally to his business by engaging the inferior workman, because he is a non-unionist.

"With reference to the Federal Arbitration Bill, it was stated that though there was still considerable uncertainty as to what some of its provisions would be, the committee regretted to say that there was little hope but that it would pass the Federal Parliaments and become law. As to what action would be taken, subsequently, as regards its infringement of State rights, was yet undecided, though doubtless an effort would be made, either by some of the States or by individual institutions, to test in the Federal High Court its constitutional defects.

"The necessity for some action being taken," the report proceeded, "to expose to the workers, as well as the employers and the public, the socialistic nature of the demands of the so-called Political Labour party, and the results of their class-legislation, is just now occupying the attention of the public throughout the Commonwealth. Your committee has had under consideration for some little time this matter, and has been in communication with several of the leaders in the colonies. In Victoria the movement has taken definite form, and we are pleased to say that a start has been made in this State. Here in New South Wales, however, the conditions are somewhat different, and the elements which obtrude themselves, and which have to be overcome, are certainly more difficult. For instance, the Farmers and Settlers' Association, one of the strongest and most influential bodies outside the metropolitan centre, and one which should undoubtedly be a prominent pillar in the movement, is debarred from joining or affiliating with any institution of a political character. However, as the members are free to do so, strong support from them individually will be forthcoming."

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

In moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet the chairman said the extreme demands for socialistic and class legislation by the misnamed Labour party were making it apparent throughout Australia that all having any interest in the welfare of our country and people must be up and doing. He said "misnamed" political Labour party advisedly, because he felt assured that it did not represent the sentiment, feelings, and desires of the industrial population of the country in its present socialistic movement. The Employers' Federation was working in the interests of the employee as much as in those of the employer, because, with settled stability and prosperity in private undertakings, the channels of employment open for the workman must be increased with the masters' business. Its existence was no menace to the workingmen, nor to their privileges or right to organise among themselves. Unfortunately—though undoubtedly it would be denied by those who were misleading the working men of the State—their organisations were under the working of the Arbitration Act, their greatest enemy. Employers had been charged with conservatism, but the boot was now on the other foot. What greater evidence of conservatism—and conservatism of a most ruinous description—could be asked for than that which just now dominated the management of the various unions of employees registered under the Act? The management he alluded to was the closing of the books of any industrial or trade association of workmen to further membership, and thereby keeping the work which the administration of the Act said must be given to unionists to a few who had formed themselves into an association and become registered under the Act, though numerically in the minority as regarded the numbers engaged in such trade. Further, could any more iniquitous, unjustifiable, or cruel system be suggested than that which gave the right to any body of tradesmen to combine as an association and arrogate to themselves the right of testing the ability of any man to perform his work when perhaps they themselves were absolutely inefficient workmen, or at any rate had not proved themselves by examination such as they imposed upon fellow-workmen seeking membership to their privileged ranks. The making of that right of examination a legal means of preventing an honest workman gaining his livelihood was a matter that should be inquired into. Mr. Hudson severely criticised the preference to unionists clause, and, proceeding, said he wished to further appeal to the employers throughout the metropolis to support the federation. What organisation and working could do was shown every day in the successes met with in various matters by the labour bodies. One of their latest movements—that in connection with the Trades Unions' label—was evidence of that, where they had had inserted in the Trades Marks Bill in the Federal Parliament a right to have a union label, a means of legal boycott which should be opposed most strenuously. Just now both State and Federal politics were most disorganised. There was every prospect of an early Federal dissolution, and should it take place it was to be hoped that the appeal to the country would be made on the one defined line, and the issue of constitutional government or political intrigue and chaos settled once and for all. In such an event all questions of fiscalism, sectarianism, and the many other disturbing side-issues which assisted the socialistic Labour party in their canvassing must be sunk. During the last two years capital amounting to several millions of pounds sterling had been withdrawn from industrial enterprises in New South Wales, and very little reflection was necessary to show that the attempt to raise wages and shorten the hours of labour, and, still more, the edict to give preference to unionists would reduce to a still greater extent the volume of capital for employment.

The motion was seconded by Mr. A. H. Moore, supported by Mr. C. H. Austin, and carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—President, Mr. A. H. Moore; vice-presidents, Messrs. Henry Hudson, H. F. Chilcott, Captain T. Langley Webb, and W. Stewart; treasurer, Mr. John Sands.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the retiring president, Mr. Henry Hudson, for his indefatigable efforts on behalf of the association. Complimentary reference was also made to the secretary (Mr. Wegg Horne).

THE BUTTER COMMISSION.

MANAGEMENT OF A FRESH FOOD COMPANY.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Further evidence in regard to the Fresh Food and Frozen Storage Company was taken by the Butter Commission to-day, when the circumstances of the liquidation and sale of the company were dealt with. The position of the company and its affairs have been made the subject of a special actuarial investigation by Mr. Eleazer Pyke, assisted by Mr. J. A. Norris, an officer of the Government Actuarial Department. Their report, which is an exhaustive one, drew attention to the fact that there were numerous points in the management of the company on which further light ought to have been thrown. The business of the company was a profitable one from its inception, and continued to show profitable returns after the Government bonus was withdrawn, and during the years affected by the drought. "The company's difficulties," the report continued, "were mainly brought about by bad management or want of management. No opportunity seems to have been given shareholders to express an opinion as to the advisability of reconstructing the company, or to make calls to liquidate the overdraft. The assets of the company were absolutely sacrificed, certainly not in the interests of shareholders. The precipitate manner in which the assets were disposed of would certainly arouse suspicious that the whole story had not been told to the shareholders."

BENEFICIAL RAINS.

SPLENDID FALLS IN THE NORTH.

RIVERINA STILL NEGLECTED.

The weather chart issued from the Observatory yesterday shows that during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. rain continued to fall over almost the whole of New South Wales. Again, unfortunately, Riverina was the only district which did not participate in the welcome falls. With the exception of a few points at isolated places, no rain was recorded in that extensive and important district.

Westward of the Darling the falls were very light in character, the highest being:—

	Points.		Points.
Broken Hill	9	Wanaaring	3
Hungerford	7	White Cliffs	2

Along the course of the Darling River the amounts registered varied to a great extent, among the principal registrations being:—

	Points.		Points.
Louth	74	Pooncarie	11
Bourke	22	Tilpa	4
Menindie	15	Wilcannia	2

Over that vast expanse of country to the eastward of the Darling the falls generally were light in character, although at a few places near the Queensland border some heavy precipitations resulted. The highest records were:—

	Points.		Points.
Goodooga	62	Nymagee	11
New Angledool	52	Gongolgon	10
Brewarrina	13	Mossgiel	5
Byrock	11	Ivanhoe	2
Dandaloo	13		

Splendid falls were received over a large portion of the north-western slopes, the amounts recorded ranging from a few points to upwards of an inch. The registrations of over half an inch were as follow:—

	Points.		Points.
Woolabra	110	Moree	89
Warialda	110	Mogil	79
Boggabilla	94	Millie	62

The most favoured district during the recent storm was that of the northern tablelands. Magnificent rains were reported over this extensive area on Tuesday, and yesterday further excellent falls took place. From half an inch to nearly an inch passed over practically the whole district. Among the chief registrations were those of:—

	Points.		Points.
Bendemeer	94	Inverell	66
Manilla	94	Armidale	65
Emmaville	90	Nundle	61
Bundarra	76	Tenterfield	58
Walcha	75	Tamworth	50
Glen Innes	68		

The precipitations over the central tablelands were for the most part very light, although on the Blue Mountains some heavy downpours occurred. The only registrations of upwards of half an inch were:—

	Points.		Points.
Katoomba	72	Blackheath	54
Mount Victoria	57	Mudgee	50

There were only a few falls of any importance on the southern tablelands. Burrowa received 75 points, and half an inch fell at Young. Nearly half an inch was recorded at Taralga, and a quarter of an inch was measured at Yass, Goulburn, Gunning, Queanbeyan, and Grenfell. Over the Hunter Valley about a quarter of an inch was registered.

Some very heavy downpours were experienced along the seaboard. At Sydney less than half an inch fell, the actual measurement to 9 a.m. being 47 points, while during the course of the day but two additional points of rain was recorded. The heaviest falls on the coast-line during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. are appended:—

	Points.		Points.
Tweed Heads	128	Newcastle	61
Byron Bay	83	Wollongong	86
Cape Hawke	80	Crookhaven Heads	210
Seal Rocks	106	Jervis Bay	247
Port Stephens	74	Ulladulla	51

Yesterday afternoon a heavy storm, which appears to have been isolated, occurred at Newcastle, the quantity registered up to 6 o'clock last evening being 141 points, making for the 33 hours a total of upwards of two inches.

INTERVIEW WITH THE METEOROLOGIST.

MORE RAIN NEXT WEEK.

Mr. H. A. Hunt, the Acting Government Meteorologist, when seen last evening, said:—"The disturbance has moved off the coast, and excepting light showers in the south, the immediate prospects of more rain inland have gone with it. However, there are indications that within a week's time another storm will come over from Western Australia. The present stormy wet conditions on the South Coast are expected to affect the whole of the seaboard, extending westward to the highlands and lasting probably over the next 24 hours. These conditions are the result of the combined energy of a high pressure over the Great Australian Bight and the depression to the east. The rain ceased inland on Tuesday night, with the advent of the southerly winds, and the falls in the southern districts were again very disappointing. From the quantities measured surrounding the catchment area, it is estimated that about an inch has fallen to the benefit of the Sydney water supply."

GALES ON THE COAST.

ROUGH SEAS RUNNING.

Boisterous conditions ruled along the seaboard yesterday, and quite a number of small vessels ran for shelter. A strong southerly gale raged during the afternoon, quickly bringing up rough seas. At South Head the wind changed to the south-east at 3.30 p.m., and rapidly gained in force until it attained the strength of a moderate gale. The steamer Bega, which left the port on her usual trip to Eden at 3.45 p.m., was unable to make any progress against the heavy southerly, and at 5.25 p.m. returned to port for shelter. The Bega anchored in Watson's Bay, and is now awaiting a favourable opportunity to resume the passage. The Italian ship Agostino Terrizano, which was to have sailed with her cargo of wheat for Falmouth, was detained through stress of weather.

Rough seas were running last night at Port Stephens, Barranjoey, South Head, Jervis Bay, Green Cape, and Gabo Island. Other stations reported that the seas were rising.

STEAMERS SEEKING SHELTER.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

Heavy rain fell late this afternoon, followed by a SE gale. During the night several small steamers ran in for shelter.

RAINS IN QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The following were the principal rainfalls for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day:—

Central: Duaringa 14 points, Yambin 10.

South: Allora 110, Amby 20, Beaudesert 115, Bell 30, Beenleigh 120, Boonah 107, Booyal 66, Caloundra 41, Caboolture 71, Caboonbah 78, Cambooya 60, Childers 34, Chinchilla 53, Clifton 25, Cooran 57, Cooroy 31, Cressbrook 58, Crow's Nest 80, Dalby 58, Emuvale 112, Dinmore 50, Dugandan 121, Durah 58, Emuvale 73, Engelsburg 119, Ernest Junction 128, Esk 122, Fernvale 60, Forest Hill 40, Gatton 34, Goondiwindi 82, Gowrie Junction 48, Gundiah 37, Gympie 39, Grandchester 66, Harrisville 113, Hawkwood 21, Helidon 45, Hendon 142, Inglewood 85, Ipswich 58, Jimbour 41, Jondowaie 75, Kenilworth 76, Killarney 100, Kilkivan Junction 40, Laidley 53, Landsborough 50, Leyburn 35, Macalister 53, Mapleton 51, Marburg 47, Marshbull 48, Miles 42, Millmerran 26, Mount Brisbane 93, Mungar 61, Nambour 28, Nanango 43, Nerang 130, North Pine 73, Oxenford 142, Pittsworth 73, Pratten 150, Roma 30, Spring Bluff 45, Stanthorpe 39, St. George (two days) 49, Surat 22, Tiaro 44, Toowoomba 47, Warra 40, Warwick 109, Woodford 82, Woombye 37, Yandilla 27, Yandina 50, Brisbane and suburbs 38 to 75.

ALBION PARK.—Heavy rain has fallen here since Tuesday, with every appearance of continuing.

BREWARRINA.—Heavy falls of rain are reported from stations in the district. Boorooma reports 1in.

COLLARENEBRI.—The rainfall will do much good towards freshening up the grass, which was getting very dry, causing a big loss among lambs. Collymongle station had 230 points on Tuesday. Other stations report good falls. Very little wheat was grown here this year. The settlers find it too expensive to cart it to the railway.

CUDAL.—28 points of rain have been registered. More is needed. The coming harvest prospects are bad.

KANGAROO VALLEY.—Splendid rain has fallen during the last few days, 180 points being registered. The rain was much needed for grass and crops.

MOREE.—Further good rain has been reported, Moree registering 89, Millie 62, Wee Waa 18, Come-by-Chance 40, Pilliga 27, Warialda 110, Boggabilla 94, Manilla 94, Booni 25, and Mungindi 23 points.

MOSS VALE.—The weather on Wednesday night was cloudy, with a strong southerly, and every appearance of further heavy rain.

RAYMOND TERRACE.—35 points of rain fell on Wednesday afternoon as the result of a thunderstorm. It was badly needed for the young crops of millet, corn, potatoes, and lucerne seed. More rain is required for the grass lands, which are late.

ROBERTSON.—A light drizzling rain was falling the whole of Wednesday.

TINGHA.—Grand rain set in on Monday night, continuing for 24 hours. More rain fell during Tuesday night. Two inches have been registered.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The business session of the third Australian convention of the Young Women's Christian Association was opened to-day at Lady Colton Hall. Delegates were present from all the States, as well as from New Zealand.

At the recent meeting of the Baptists' Union a resolution was passed sympathising with the Free Churchmen in Great Britain in the persecution to which they are subjected in the working of the Education Act. This has been sent to England, with a donation to the funds of the passive resistance campaign.

The Institute of German Physicians issues a warning to young men against taking up the study of medicine, there being at present a glut of young doctors.

A.B.C. Tea. A.B.C. Tea. A.B.C. Tea.—Lead Packets, all Grocers.—Advt.

THE STATE ELECTIONS.

FIRST FEMALE FRANCHISE.

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES CAST.

INTERESTING FIGURES.

The chief electoral officer has prepared for the information of the Chief Secretary an interesting return showing the percentage of votes cast at the recent general elections by male and female voters. More than ordinary interest attaches to the compilation, by reason of the fact that for the first time in the history of New South Wales adult females were permitted to exercise the franchise of the election of members to the Legislative Assembly. A glance at the figures reveals a number of very striking contrasts. The compilation would have been still more important if separate tables had been prepared showing the voting in the metropolitan and Newcastle electorates, and comparing it with the voting in the purely country electorates. The return is as follows:—

Electorate.	Percentage of Votes Recorded to the Number on the Roll. Male.	Female.	Total.
Albury	63.40	53.47	58.92
Alexandria	66.01	62.24	64.17
Allowrie	76.17	69.90	73.23
Annandale	61.73	52.94	57.04
Armidale	64.40	46.29	55.30
Ashburnham	70.73	65.95	68.67
Ashfield	57.40	45.89	49.95
Balmain	66.54	60.50	63.47
Bathurst	69.23	64.73	66.98
Bega	77.99	65.68	72.05
Belmore	54.81	59.39	57.07
Belubula	73.95	68.75	71.74
Blayney	67.58	64.27	66.13
Botany	68.46	65.53	67.07
Burrangong	71.95	66.56	69.55
Burwood	64.16	63.94	64.04
Camden	79.38	72.92	71.35
Camperdown	60.46	51.52	55.07
Canterbury	62.91	51.08	56.81
Castlereagh, The	64.51	47.02	56.05
Clarence, The	54.07	32.17	43.71
Clyde, The	65.68	57.47	62.10
Cobar	47.89	38.44	44.70
Cootamundra	69.77	57.41	64.54
Corowa	61.38	53.20	58.28
Darling, The	52.66	63.80	55.47
Darling Harbour	52.59	48.28	50.87
Darlinghurst	55.93	46.40	50.01
Deniliquin	49.21	41.54	46.21
Durham	75.81	61.24	69.09
Glebe, The	67.00	50.90	58.18
Gloucester	72.96	66.37	70.14
Gordon	59.15	48.80	53.81
Gough	64.67	59.44	62.14
Goulburn	66.19	52.28	59.31
Granville	66.47	52.52	59.16
Gwydir, The	62.33	56.57	60.21
Hartley	65.22	50.29	58.40
Hastings and Macleay	70.25	53.92	62.88
Hawkesbury, The	75.26	68.26	71.83
Kahibah	42.27	19.89	31.55
King	53.16	42.03	47.91
Lachlan, The	64.53	62.87	63.89
Lane Cove	63.20	51.12	56.78
Leichhardt	74.89	66.72	70.50
Liverpool Plains	58.15	49.21	54.34
Macquarie, The	65.81	59.90	63.18
Maitland	75.81	65.14	70.35
Marrickville	54.68	44.06	49.11
Middle Harbour	70.22	52.91	60.54
Monaro	70.75	57.86	65.14
Mudgee	72.76	67.93	70.74
Murray, The	53.11	45.79	50.46
Murrumbidgee, The	66.27	60.14	63.76
Namoi, The	58.57	56.14	57.67
Newcastle	64.38	53.85	59.12
Newtown	61.40	51.54	56.43
Northumberland	54.87	33.65	46.16
Orange	65.90	64.91	65.45
Paddington	51.59	41.82	46.16
Parramatta	71.51	64.95	68.06
Petersham	59.20	54.85	56.75
Phillip	64.32	54.35	59.14
Pyrmont	57.09	51.58	54.82
Queanbeyan	70.56	67.04	68.95
Raleigh	64.74	50.33	58.00
Randwick	46.79	33.53	39.00
Redfern	68.68	52.58	60.73
Richmond, The	61.20	48.23	55.83
Rous	73.66	70.57	72.41
Rozelle	67.06	56.71	61.78
Sherbrooke	66.95	53.75	60.43
Singleton	73.21	65.03	69.19
St. George	58.93	45.09	51.58
St. Leonards	63.62	50.07	55.86
Sturt	59.72	55.52	57.95
Surry Hills	61.66	52.97	57.53
Tamworth	71.59	66.46	69.17
Tenterfield	65.66	51.71	59.73
Upper Hunter, The	68.67	67.91	68.34
Waratah	48.93	24.49	37.10
Waverley	55.38	42.97	48.28
Wickham	73.66	66.46	70.15
Wollondilly	62.79	51.67	57.43
Wollongong	75.63	66.49	71.54
Woollahra	49.47	31.76	38.96
Wynyard	67.07	47.79	58.80
Yass	71.82	60.59	67.04
Average	63.81	54.35	59.31

SHIPPING CASUALTIES.

THE DAMAGE TO THE WILCANNIA.

COMPLETION OF THE SURVEY.

The survey of the damaged steamship Wilcannia, of Lund's Blue Anchor line, which was commenced on Tuesday, was completed yesterday morning by Mr. R. Pollock (Lloyd's surveyor), Captain C. Spinks (chief surveyor to the Sydney Marine Underwriters and Salvage Association, Limited), Captain J. M. Banks (representing the owners of the Wilcannia), and Mr. Shearer, of the Department of Navigation. It was found as a result of the examination that several of the frames have been fractured, and that upwards of 30 plates have been dented. A large number of the rivets have also started, and other minor injuries sustained.

The Wilcannia was subsequently floated out of the Woolwich Dock and berthed at the Central Wharf, to completely discharge her cargo preparatory to repairs being undertaken. There remains to be discharged about 1150 tons of general cargo and about 1200 tons of coal. Prior to the steamer being floated into dock for sighting 400 tons of coal and the whole of the frozen cargo were landed. Yesterday afternoon the agents for the vessel, Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Ltd., accepted a tender for the discharge, storage, and re-loading of the general cargo, the successful tenderers being the Central Wharf and Stevedoring Company. The work of discharging is to be commenced early this morning, and it is anticipated that by Saturday next the Wilcannia will be an empty ship.

It is hoped that the Wilcannia will be again docked for repairs on Tuesday next. In the meantime specifications are being prepared by the surveyors and tenders will be invited for the work. As already stated, the damage done as a result of the steamer grounding on a reef in the harbour is of an extensive character, and the cost of repairing the vessel will run into several thousands of pounds. Some weeks must necessarily elapse before the Wilcannia will be in readiness to resume her voyage to South Africa and London.

FIRE ON THE W. J. PIRRIE.

THE VESSEL CONDEMNED.

Advices received by the last English mail state that the fire which occurred last month on board the four-masted ship W. J. Pirrie resulted in the total destruction of the vessel. The W. J. Pirrie sailed from Newcastle on May 2 last with 3753 tons of coal for Tocapilla, in Chili. She arrived at her destination in safety, and had almost completed discharge when the outbreak occurred. The vessel then had 222 tons of coal still on board, and had shipped 870 tons of nitrate. A cablegram received by the London Salvage Association from Lloyd's agent at Tocapilla, dated August 23—five days after the outbreak—stated that the fire was still smouldering, and that the ship had been surveyed by order of the British Consul and condemned. The hull and masts were found to be useless, and could not be repaired. The W. J. Pirrie had lost her foremast and was leaking slightly. At that date salvage operations were impossible, and Lloyd's agent expressed the opinion that not more than 100 tons of nitrate would be saved. He recommended the sale of the vessel by auction. The W. J. Pirrie was a fine vessel of 2583 tons gross and 2398 tons net, and was built in 1883 by Messrs. Harland and Wolff, of Belfast. The vessel was valued at £18,000, and her cargo at about £15,000.

THE BRAMBLETYE DAMAGED.

According to reports received from London, the wheat ship Brambletye, from Sydney, met with a mishap just before her arrival at Bristol. It appears that while the Brambletye was entering the Cumberland Basin on the 18th ult her port bow struck the pierhead, buckling a plate, damaging the headgear, starting the bits, and bending the port anchor stock. The Brambletye, which sailed from Sydney on April 26, shipped 21,199 bags of wheat at this port.

THE TORRISDALE STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

The barque Torrisdale, which sailed from New York on the 3rd inst for Sydney, had a sensational experience while in the Erie Basin at the American port on the 10th ult. It appears that lightning struck the maintop-gallant mast, and that the bolt smashed the truck into seven pieces, and shattered the wood rails on the ship's forecastle.

THE LOCH CARRON-INVERKIP COLLISION.

Further particulars from London state that the ship Loch Carron, bound from Glasgow to Sydney with general merchandise, sustained serious injuries when she collided with the barque Inverkip on August 13. The Loch liner had a large hole driven in her hull, her foretop-gallant mast and all headgear were carried away, and other damage was sustained. Upon the return of the Loch Carron to Queenstown the day following the collision, her master reported that he lost sight of the Inverkip almost immediately. The repairs to the Loch Carron were estimated to cost £1500 and occupy about three weeks.

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TRADES AND LABOUR.

HAIRDRESSERS' UNION.

A very numerously attended meeting of the Hairdressers' Employees' Union was held at the Trades Hall on Tuesday evening, when the recent decision of the Arbitration Court in connection with the leasing of barbers' chairs was discussed. It was generally admitted that the decision would work out unfavourably for the men, who, it was claimed, already suffered under greater disadvantages than those engaged in the majority of trades. It was unanimously decided that the terms of the industrial award should be adhered to by the members in their entirety, and those present pledged themselves not to hire chairs. Further, it was resolved that any member found working on Eight-hours Day or Wednesday afternoons be summoned to give an explanation of his conduct, and that, in the event of his refusing to pay any fine that might be inflicted by the union, proceedings for the recovery of the money should be instituted against him in the Arbitration Court.

NEWCASTLE.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

The steamer Kakapo cleared at the Customs to-day for Strahan, via Kembla, with 380 tons of coal; the steamer Ouraka, for Cairns, via Brisbane and Queensland ports, with 330 tons of coal; and the ship Dalgonar, for Coquimbo, with 3070 tons of Messrs. Brown's coal.

The four-masted barque Rowena sailed to-day for Coquimbo, with 2792 tons of Caledonian coal. The barque Killarney arrived to-day from Lyttelton, to load the A.A. Company's coal for Callao.

The premises of Mr. S. Ashman, a tobacconist, in Hunter-street, were broken into last night, and about £12 worth of tobacco and cigars was stolen, the thieves being evidently disturbed before completing their operations.

AMUSEMENTS.

CRITERION THEATRE.

"A Message from Mars" was revived once more at the Criterion Theatre last night, and it must be said that it well repays seeing a second or third time. Mr. Gregan MacMahon gives an excellent idea of the flippant self-esteem of Horace Parker, Mr. O. P. Heggie contrives to be dignified and impressive as the Messenger from Mars, a character that might easily become ridiculous in uncertain hands; and Mr. Wm. F. Hawtrey is realistically life-like as the tramp. The play, which is picturesquely staged, was warmly received, and will be repeated this evening. A special programme has been prepared for the farewell to-morrow, consisting of "A Highland Legacy" and "The Two Mr. Wetherbys," after which the Hawtrey Company leaves for Newcastle.

LYCEUM THEATRE.

Mr. Walter Sanford will open in his new production, "The Pace that Kills," on Saturday evening next, and a matinee will be given on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

THE HOLLINS ORGAN RECITALS.

Mr. Alfred Hollins opened his recital at the Town Hall last night with a "Sonata in F" by Silas, and the composer's name being little known here, some account of him would have increased the interest of the instructive programme-note which described so well the work itself. The sonata, though serious and musicianly, proved full of striking melody, and was generally appreciated. The famous blind organist was encored with enthusiasm for a captivating interpretation of Bach's "Gavotte and Rondo." Wolstenholme's "Serenata" was equally enjoyed, and the programme closed with Beethoven's "Prometheus Overture," which formed a fine piece in its organ setting. The evening's improvisation, as announced by Mr. Arthur Mason (city organist), consisted of an original theme of about four bars sent in by Mr. Hector Maclean. This subject, which had rather a Bach-like savour, and suggested a possible opening for a vivacious fugue, afforded Mr. Hollins opportunity for quite a fascinating display of his talents. The player began by enunciating it in rich, staccato chords of a colossal character, with a flourish for flutes between each phrase, and almost at once diverging into a minor key, reproduced it with grandiose effects for tuba and foundational stops. The orchestral oboe took up the air with a pedal accompaniment, the carillons rang out the measure with a rich support, the free improvisation took a triumphant form, and there was an exquisite and ingenious duet for clarionet and flute. The long impromptu included a splendid fugue, and the whole formed an intellectual achievement such as we should imagine very few organists of the day could attain to. The enthusiasm ran high, and was never better deserved. Mr. Hollins will play again on Saturday evening.

ROYAL ART SOCIETY'S EXHIBITION.

Large attendances were the rule both afternoon and evening at the Royal Art Society's Exhibition, due to the fact that two "at homes" were given. Mrs. G. W. Hadfield's matinee musicale was organised by Miss Constance Dansie. In addition to Miss Dansie's pathetic delivery of "Old Schoolmaster," followed by the playful tenderness of "The Usual Way," interest was given to the occasion by the debut of Mr. R. L. Nield, a pupil of Mr. Wm. Asprey. Mr. Nield, who has a basso cantante of large volume and fine quality, introduced "A Memory," a gravely melodious aria composed by Mr. Asprey. Mr. Bryce Carter rendered the 'cello obbligato effectively, and the singer was warmly encored. Mr. R. B. Orchard recited, and musical numbers were contributed by Mrs. Rosalind Brown, Misses Constance Eyre Cooke, Rosie Rooke, Edith Briton, and Mr. Bryce Carter. Miss Irene Jay was the accompanist.

In the evening Miss Alicia Nolan and Miss Hettie Dymock joined in an "at home." Miss Nolan was successful in Liszt's piano transcription of the Schubert song, "Beneath the Evening's Last Sweet Smile," Miss Josie Nolan played Rubinstein's "Staccato Study," a violin solo was contributed by Miss Linda Sheen, and Miss Phoebe Dawson recited. The vocal entertainment proved strong, those assisting being Miss Ethel Liggins, Miss Maggie Donegan, and Messrs. W. Reg. Goond, F. Hickey, and Emil Sussmilch. An excellent programme was closed with lightning sketches by Messrs. Dattillo Rubbo and Fred Leist. The Royal Art Society's Exhibition will close at 5 p.m. on Friday.

MISS STELLA CHAPMAN'S RECITAL.

Queen's Hall was crowded last night when the vocal and elocutionary pupils of Miss Stella Chapman, assisted by Miss Sanger-Evans (violin) and Miss Agnes Wilson (piano), gave a musical and dramatic entertainment. In the first part, Miss Chapman herself appeared, and proved so effective in her delivery of Bret Harte's "Idyll of the Battle Hollow" that the humorous piece "The Road to Wareham" had to be added as encore. The enthusiasm still continued, and the elocutionist then responded with "Her Preference." The second part consisted of a prettily managed musical extravaganza, "The Dancing Princesses," the libretto of which was founded on the fairy-story of the princesses who wore out their slippers in mysterious revels, and of Amoret, the shepherd, who discovered their secret and married one of them. Nearly two score of Miss Chapman's pupils, in picturesque costumes, took part in the extravaganza, for which the elocutionist had arranged a number of coon songs and fairy dances. Amongst the principals were Miss Rita Owen as Amoret, Miss Carrie Schoeffler as Queen, Miss Daphne Wahlberg as the Court Governess, and Miss Lily Cooke as Fairy Queen. These, and others who took part, were cordially recalled by the audience at the end of the evening.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.†

†Letters will be accepted without late fee for the Express from 5.30 to 6 p.m. if posted at the G.P.O. in the Special Box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.

Victoria.—Overland, 5.30‡ and 7 p.m.

‡Letters, provided they are posted in the Special Box at the G.P.O., which will be open for that purpose during the time stated hereafter, will be accepted without late fee from 5.30 to 6 p.m. for all places in Victoria, and from 6 to 6.45 p.m. for Melbourne only.

Queensland.—Overland, 3.45 p.m.††

††Letters for Queensland will be accepted without late fee for the northern express from 3.45 to 4.15 p.m., if posted at G.P.O. in the special box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.

Samarai and Port Moresby, via Brisbane.—Wyandra, 3.45 p.m.

Dutch East Indies, via Brisbane.—Varzin, 3.45 p.m.

Samarai, New Britain, and German New Guinea, via Brisbane.—Prinz Waldemar, 3.45 p.m.

*Dutch East Indies, via Brisbane.—Prinz Waldemar, 3.45 p.m.

Auckland (direct).—Indraghiri, 4 p.m.

Ballina, Broadwater, and Wardell (R.R.).—City of Grafton, 5 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Grantala, 5.30 p.m.

Macleay River.—Burrawong, 7 p.m.

Port Macquarie, Nambucca Heads, and Macksville.—Rosedale, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Wellington, N.Z. (direct).—Banffshire, 2 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.

*South Africa, via Adelaide.—Lombard, 5.30 p.m.

Manning River.—Electra, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands, New Hebrides, and Banks Group.—Tambo, 11 a.m.

Tulagi (Solomon Islands), Ocean Island, and Tarawa (Gilbert Islands).—Yasbel, 11 a.m.

Wellington, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Mokoia, 11 a.m.

Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Delphic, 11 a.m.

Brisbane.—Peregrine, 1 p.m.

Richmond River.—Ramornie, 2 p.m.

Nelson's Bay.—Hawke, 4 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kyogle, 8 p.m.

*Western Australia, via Adelaide and Fremantle.—Pilbarra, 9.30 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, from Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Paterena, noon.

Bellinger Heads.—Nerong, noon.

PARCEL MAIL.

Parcels addressed to the United Kingdom, Egypt, Ceylon, India, Malta, Hongkong, and Continent of Europe, will be received at the Parcels Office, Basement, G.P.O., George-street, for transmission per P. and O. Company's steamer India, up to 9.30 a.m. on SATURDAY, October 1. For transmission per C.A. steamship Miowera up to 10.30 a.m. on MONDAY, October 3. For transmission per German steamer Oldenburg up to 11 a.m. on SATURDAY, October 22. For transmission per M.M. steamer Caledonien up to 9.30 a.m. on MONDAY, October 10.

In the course of an interesting address on "Confucius" at the Australian Unitarian Church last evening, the Rev. George Walters referred to the comparative state of religions, which showed that the great beliefs of the world were nearly all branches of one stem. He made reference to the teachings of Confucius, in which the value of knowledge and the necessity for good government were insisted upon. Confucius, he pointed out, taught a version of the golden rule, which he expressed as follows:—"That which you do not want done to yourself, do not do to others." There was no lack of practical sympathy in his life. The teachings of Confucius, the Rev. George Walters said, were ethical, rather than theological.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—Sept. 28.

Mokoia, s, 3502 tons, Captain R. E. Smith, from Wellington. Passengers—Misses Florence Menkmeyer, Long, E. Menkmeyer, Butt, Lyons, Taylor, Grant, Ellen, George, Ewen, Kennedy, Mesdames Newman, Valpy, Mills and maid, Chapman, Grant, Bond, Hudson and 3 children, Wilson, Allen and infant, Cruickshank and child, Ewen, Sully, Hamerton, Kennedy, Pendergast, Knight, Connell, Britton, Werrick, Messrs. Valpy, Dr. Clayton, Chapman, Tabart, Bond, Traherne, Mills, Kennedy, Symons, Bonne, Hudson, Todor, Carr, Wilson, Rhodes, Lanage, Vial, Sully, Hamerton, Healy, Werrick, Dr. Pendergast, Knight, Fotheringham, Dr. Irving, Nesbitt, and the Lesems (4), Mesdames Carpenter and 2 children, Lethaby, Moore, Rigby and 2 children, Shelton, Sadgrove and child, Messrs. Stewart, Walker, Longmore, Harrington, Lethaby, Watson, Williams, Gray, Callan, Levy, Brown, Williams, Hay, Jones, Roots, Sainsbury, Sage, Anderson, Loftus, Brayton, Tabb, Anderson, Williams, Bell, Donnolly, Russell, Jure, Vacio, Commens, Brown, Andrews, Hodge, Balsarini. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Kyarra, s, 6073 tons, Captain M. M. Osborne, from Fremantle, via Adelaide and Melbourne. Passengers—37 in the first saloon, 69 in the second saloon, and 37 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Illaroo, s, 515 tons, Captain Johnstone, from Fiji. H. Fisher, agent.

Rosedale, s, 274 tons, Captain J. O. Anderson, from Nambucca River and Port Macquarie. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Burrawong, s, 391 tons, Captain Innes, from Macleay River. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Newcastle, s, 1251 tons, Captain M. Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Northern Chief, bq, 203 tons, Captain Kaseene, from Kaipara. R. S. Lamb and Co., agents.

Bega, s, 567 tons, Captain Bishop, returned to port through stress of weather. Illawarra S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Sept. 29.

City of Grafton, s, 825 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Richmond River. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—Sept. 28.

Empire, s, for Manila, China, and Japan, via ports.
Prinz Waldemar, s, for Singapore, via New Guinea, New Britain, and ports.
Whangaroa, scow, for New Plymouth, via Port Macquarie.
Moorabool, s, for Melbourne, via Newcastle.
Mararoa, s, for Auckland.
Mokoia, s, for Newcastle.
Mintaro, s, for Port Pirie via Port Augusta.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—Sept. 29.

Banffshire, s, for South Africa and London, via New Zealand; Mimiro, s, for London, via New Zealand; Indraghiri, s, for New Zealand ports; Augusta, s, for Tweed River; City of Grafton, s, for Richmond River; Rosedale, s, for Nambucca River; Hastings, s, for Port Macquarie, Hastings, and Wilson Rivers; Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company's steamer for Newcastle; Erina, s, for Gosford and Brisbane Water; Ripple, s, and Commonderry, s, for Moruya.

CLEARANCES.—Sept. 28.

Mararoa, s, 2598 tons, Captain F. W. Macbeth, for Auckland and New Zealand ports. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Lockett, Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Trapp, Mr. and Mrs. Hole and child, Mr. and Mrs. Priest, Mr. and Mrs. W. Evans, Mesdames Sean, Ridding, G. Turner, Misses Ryan, Spine, Price, Malay, Maloney, Nurse Cozens, M. Renwick, P. Casey, Mitchell, Isaacson, Roskridge, Messrs. R. Hunt, A. M. Sinclair, W. M. Hopkins, Cherry, C. E. Bonige, H. Simonsen, E. S. Hudson, B. Hudson, E. R. Lane, R. T. McQuade, M. Turner, P. Sheet, and 44 in the steerage.

Mokoia, s, 3502 tons, Captain R. E. Smith, for Newcastle.

Mimiro, s, 6225 tons, Captain F. Lidstone, for London, via New Zealand, with 115,497 pkgs through cargo.

Mintaro, s, 2287 tons, Captain A. Nicholson, for Port Pirie, via Port Augusta.

Oban Bay, bq, 999 tons, Captain H. Smith, for Falmouth, for orders.

Empire, s, 4409 tons, Captain P. Helms, for Manila, China, and Japan, via ports, with passengers as per list published yesterday.

Prinz Waldemar, s, 3598 tons, Captain C. Wotteman, for Singapore, via Brisbane and ports, with passengers as per list published yesterday.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—Sept. 28.

Candidate, ktch, Captain Thomas Allen, for Port Macquarie; Wyoming, s, Captain H. Wood, for Macleay River, via Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—Sept. 28.

Mokoia, s, from Wellington: 73 sks hides, 7 sks hair, 32 sks bones, 6 sks horns, 211 bls N.Z. phormium, 7 bls tow, 78 bls hops, 4 bls hair, 30 sks peas, 64 sks fungus, 36 sks frozen tongues, 50 sks frozen pork, 25 cs whisky, 25 cs tongues, 35 cs cheese, 11 csks pelts, 5 cks skins, 29 cks pitch, 25 drums wood naphtha, 26 bdls zinc, 147 ingots zinc.

Kyarra, s, from Fremantle, Adelaide, and Melbourne: 20 cs raisins, 100 cs currants, 38 cs empty bottles, 233 hides, 205 bgs tin ore, 28 bgs concentrates, 120 cs wine, 2267 bgs chaff, 60 cs butter, 200 bgs currants, 20 cs fruit, 198 bgs bark, 80 cks eggs, 100 bgs malt, 24 hhds wine, 65 bxs soap, 591 bgs salt, 80 cs vestas, 930 bgs flour.

Burrawong, s, from Macleay River: 19 bgs bones, 263 bxs butter, 8 cs bacon, 67 cs eggs, 7 cs fish, 2 cs fruit, 34 hides, 1 horse, 131 pigs, 16 tins honey, 12 coops and 4 bxs poultry, 1 bndle skins, 470 sleepers, 1484 bgs maize, and sundries.

Rosedale, s, from Nambucca River and Port Macquarie: 28 bxs butter, 2 cs honey, 60 cs eggs, 4 cs fruit, 40 hides, 5 cs crawfish, 104 pigs, 2 bgs ore, 2 bgs oysters, 1000 bgs maize, 8 cps poultry, 1 bundle skins, 6000 spokes, 240 sleepers, 4 cs fish, and sundries.

Illaroo, s, from Fiji: 311 tons copra.

Northern Chief, bq, from Kaipara: 233,000ft timber.

EXPORTS.—Sept. 28.

Prinz Waldemar, s, for Singapore, via Brisbane and ports: 300 cs kerosene, 100 cs meats, 32 cs 140 sks flour, 72 cs salmon, 45 cs potatoes, 20 cs onions, 10 cs rabbits, 175 bls chaff, 25 pkgs biscuits, 100 cs provisions, 200 cs beer, 2965 bgs ore, 30 cs fruit, 30 cs nails, 82 csks cement, 165 cs benzine, 28 cs butter, 45 bgs salt beef, 307 brs lead, 12 pkgs muntz metal, 12 pipes tallow, 22 piles, 1914 pcs timber, 131 girders, 70 pkgs sugar, 60 pkgs tobacco, 700 cs soap, and sundries.

Empire, s, for Manila, China, and Japan, via ports: 40 cs whisky, 15 cs brandy, 12 cs jam, 20 bls fodder, 179 bdls old metal, 15 bxs soap, 1033 bgs fungus, 28 bgs flax, 11,922 brs lead, 253 hide pieces, 68 bgs glue-pieces, 16 kgs white zinc, 16 kgs white lead, 359 bgs barley, 20 bgs chaff, 40 bgs and 520 ½-bgs flour, 318 bgs bones, 30 bls hay, 1877 ingots copper, 1020 bls wool, 28 cs cheese, 163 bxs butter, 106 bgs hoofs, 58 pkgs files, 30 cs meat, 15 cs milk, 30 pcs timber, 75 cs kerosene, 15 cs castor oil, 13 cs gold (£11,029), 1008 tons coal, 60 ces lamb, 300 ces mutton, and sundries.

Oban Bay, bq, for Falmouth, for orders: 14,421 bgs wheat.

Customs House.—Entered outward: Sept. 28, Lindsay, for Solomon Islands; Mokoia, s, for Wellington.

The Norwegian barque Pyllis, which arrived at Adelaide on the 23rd inst, after a remarkably fast trip of 26 days from Natal, left the former port on Saturday for Melbourne. She has been chartered to load wool and general cargo for United Kingdom or Boston to the agency of Messrs. Wm. Crosby and Co.

The steamer Gulf of Venice, now at Sydney, shipped 800 tons of frozen meat, 13,000 cases meats, and 4000 bars lead at Townsville and Rockhampton, for Manila. She proceeds from Sydney to Port Esperance to load a quantity of hardwood.

The B.I. steamer Umballa, due at Sydney to-day, was, while in port at Brisbane, fitted up with accommodation for a large number of horses, which she is to load at southern ports. She is also taking 45,000 sleepers from Sydney for Karachi, India. The steamship Aparima will be fitted at Dunedin to accommodate over 400 horses, to be shipped at New Zealand and Australia for Calcutta.

The steamer Awarua, which was recently completed for the Northern Union Steamboat Company of New Zealand, will this morning proceed to Berry's Bay, where she will swing for the adjustment of her compasses. The Awarua will sail shortly for Helensville, where she will be engaged in the passenger and cargo trade.

The following telegrams were received yesterday respecting the condition of the bars at high water:—Manning Heads, 12ft on bar, 10ft on inside channel; Camden Haven Heads, 15ft on bar, 11ft on inside channel; Cape Hawke, 7ft on bar; Clarence Heads, 16ft on bar, 4ft 6in on gauge, 15ft on Iluka crossing; Port Macquarie, 9ft 6in on bar; Tweed Heads, 10ft on bar, 3ft rise of tide, 3ft 3in on crossing.

MOVEMENTS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Britannia, from London, left Melbourne at 6.25 p.m. yesterday, for Sydney, and is due here to-morrow morning.

The R.M.S. Miowera will be berthed at the Circular Quay to-day.

The G.M.S. Oldenberg, from Bremen and Southampton, bound to Sydney, arrived at Melbourne at 9.45 a.m. yesterday.

THE CRUISE OF THE ILLAROO.

The steamer Illaroo now employed in the trade with Fiji, returned to Sydney from another cruise yesterday. While among the islands she experienced a fresh south-east gale, which lasted for three days. While at Rotumah heavy rain fell, and caused delay in working the boats. H.M.S. Torch touched at Rotumah Island on September 8, leaving the next day. The Illaroo secured a full cargo of copra at the islands. From Levuka to Sydney strong SW winds with head seas prevailed for four days, followed by squally weather. The wind then veered from NE to ESE, with thick rain.

SHIPPING SALES.

The steamer Waimana, of the Northern Steamship Company of New Zealand, which has been laid up at Auckland for a considerable time, has been sold to an Australian syndicate, and will be employed in the Victorian lakes trade. Captain Walsh, acting on behalf of the syndicate, after inspecting the vessel, decided to purchase her. The Waimana was built in 1899 by Messrs. Lane and Brown, at Whangaroa. Her gross tonnage is 152.

Advices have been received stating that the well-known Australian trader Firth of Clyde has been sold to Norwegians for about £4000. The Firth of Clyde is an iron barque of 1208 tons register, built in 1882 by Messrs. Dobie and Co., Glasgow, for Messrs. J. Spencer and Co.

RECORD WHEAT LOADING.

Considerable activity was displayed on Monday at Williamstown, in consequence of an effort which was made to beat the Australian record for a day's work at loading wheat. The steamship Rakaia, which will load some 54,000 bags of wheat on account of Messrs. J. Darling and Sons, was the vessel selected for the attempt, and by 5 p.m. 13,573 bags had been stowed away in the vessel's hold, thus establishing a new record, and beating the Sydney record by 791 bags. Zest was added to the contest from the fact that the Sydney record was established by the use of conveyers, and at Williamstown work was done by the use of the old method of slings.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

THURSDAY ISLAND (2000 miles).—Dep: Sept. 27, Maranoa, s, for Burketown.

COOKTOWN (1550 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Airlie, s, for Townsville.

TOWNSVILLE (1370 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Barrier, s, from Sydney.

KEPPEL BAY (877 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Aramac, s, for Melbourne.

GLADSTONE (828 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Barcoo, s, for Brisbane.

BUNDABERG (717 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Eurimbla, s, for Brisbane.

BRISBANE (500 miles).—Arr: Sept. 27, Iris, cable-repairing steamer, from Norfolk Island. Dep: Sept. 28, Flinders, s, for Bundaberg; Tyrian, s, for Melbourne; Damascus, s, for London.

TWEED HEADS (374 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Admiral, ktch, at 10.15 a.m.; Augusta, s, at 10.20 a.m.

RICHMOND RIVER (331 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Pyrmont, at 11.35 a.m. Dep: Ramornie, s, at 12.20 p.m. Passed: Augusta, s, at 4.55 p.m., south.

CLARENCE HEADS (295 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Mohau, s, at 8.15 a.m. Dep: St. George, s, at 7.55 a.m.; Kyogle, s, at 10.40 a.m. Passed: Ramornie, s, at 3.45 p.m., south; Varzin, s, at 4.30 p.m., Wyandra, s, at 5.40 p.m., both north.

WOOLGOOLGA (254 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Dorrigo, s, at 5 a.m., from Byron Bay. Dep: Dorrigo, s, at 11.45 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: Pelotas, bq, at 11 a.m., Oopack, s, at 2.15 p.m., a small steamer, black funnel, white band, at 5.15 p.m., all north; Kyogle, s, at 3.40 p.m., south.

NAMBUCCA HEADS (223 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Alpha, sch, at 9.15 a.m., for Sydney.

TRIAL BAY (200 miles).—Sept. 28, Myee, s, entered Macleay River at 3.50 p.m.

SMOKY CAPE (205 miles).—Passed: Sept. 28, a barquentine at 5.15 a.m., Nerong, s, at 9.15 a.m., Duroby, s, at 11 a.m., Tomki, s, at 2.55 p.m., Barrabool, s, at 3.25 p.m., Kallatina, s, at 5.30 p.m., all north; Umballa, s, at 1 p.m., Friendship, s, at 2 p.m., Marloo, s, at 5 p.m., St. George, s, at 4.50 p.m., all south.

PORT MACQUARIE (174 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Trilby, s, at 6.40 a.m., Louisa Mensell, sch, at 10.45 a.m. Dep: Sept. 27, Hastings, s, at 10 p.m.

TACKING POINT (160 miles).—Passed: Sept. 28, a large 2-masted steamer, black funnel, at 3.10 p.m., Cavanba, s, at 5.10 p.m., both north.

CAMDEN HAVEN HEADS (150 miles).—Arr: Sept. 27, Bellinger, s, at 10.45 p.m.

MANNING HEADS (144 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Narooma, s, at 9.30 a.m. Dep: Kincumber, s, at 11.2 a.m.

CAPE HAWKE (123 miles).—Sept. 28, Premier, ktch, anchored in the bay during the night, Harold, ktch, anchored in bay at 10.15 a.m. Dep: Sept. 27, Commonwealth, s, at 8.30 p.m. Sept. 28, Tuncurry, s, at 10.20 a.m., both for Sydney.

PORT STEPHENS (88 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Hawke, s, at 6 a.m., Euroka, s, at 6 p.m. Dep: Alice Templeton, ktch, at 8 a.m., bound north; Wootton, s, at 3 p.m., for Sydney. Passed: A barque at 6 a.m., City of Grafton, s, at 12.30 p.m., Hastings, s, at 1 p.m., Commonwealth, s, at 11.20 a.m., all south.

NEWCASTLE (62 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Isabella, sch, Euroka, s, Namoi, s, Cavanba, s, Ouraka, s, Jones Brothers, sch, Derwent, s, Time, s, Tarshaw, s, from Sydney; Killarney, bq, from Lyttelton; Guthrey, s, from Lake Macquarie; Moorabool, s, from Sydney; Isabelle, sch, Countess of Errol, sch, returned to port. Dep: Sept. 28, Sophia Ann, s, Countess of Errol sch, Isabella, sch, Namoi, s, for Sydney; Easby, s, for Melbourne, with 1870 tons coal; Cavanba, s, for Byron Bay; Rowena, four-masted bq, for Coquimbo, with 2692 tons Caledonian coal; Euroka, s, for the north; Ouraka, s, for Cairns, via Brisbane and ports, with 330 tons bunker coal; Kakapo, s, for Strahan, via Kembla; Archer, s, for Sydney.

LAKE MACQUARIE HEADS (54 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Laura, ktch, at 2.15 p.m., Betsy, ktch, at 4 p.m., both for Sydney. Dep: Guthrey, s, at 11 a.m., for Newcastle.

CATHERINE HILL BAY (48 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Wallarah, s, at 1.25 p.m., for Sydney. Beagle, s, went to Newcastle for shelter at 6 p.m.

BARRANJOEY (19½ miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Hawkesbury, s, at 9.15 a.m. Passed: Narara, s, at 9.15 a.m., a yacht, like Victoria, at 5.25 p.m., both north; Woy Woy, s, at 9.15 a.m., south.

SOUTH HEAD (4 miles).—Passed: Sept. 28, Kakapo, s, at 11.40 a.m., Easby, s, at 4.20 p.m., both south.

WOLLONGONG (44 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Bunkalo, scow, at 6 a.m., from St. George's Basin; Dunmore, s, from Sydney, weather-bound. Dep: Wallsend, s, at 7.40 a.m., for Sydney.

KIAMA (50 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Illawarra, s, at 3 p.m., from Sydney. Dep: Kiama, s, at 10 a.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Coomonderry, s, at 9 a.m., from Sydney.

JERVIS BAY (87 miles).—Passed: Sept. 28, one of Adelaide Company's steamers, at 5.15 a.m., south; a steamer, black funnel, at 1.30 p.m., a four-masted barque, at 3.35 p.m., both north.

MORUYA HEADS (141 miles).—Passed: Sept. 28, a steamer like one of Huddart Parker's, at 7 a.m., Eden, s, at 6 p.m., both north.

BERMAGUI (175 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Eden, s, at 3 p.m., for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND (236 miles).—Passed: Sept. 28, Anglian, s, at 11.55 a.m., south; Melbourne, s, at 1.45 p.m., Oonah, s, at 1.55 p.m., both north; Wodonga, s, at 4.20 p.m., west.

MELBOURNE (576 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Paloona, s, from Launceston; Oldenberg, G.M.S., from Bremen; Mary Moore, ktch, from Hokianga. Dep.: Sept. 28, Britannia, R.M.S., and Peregrine, s, both for Sydney; Buninyong, s, and Grantala s, both for Adelaide.

QUEENSCLIFFE LOOKOUT.—Dep.: Sept. 28, Britannia, R.M.S., at 6.25 p.m., for Sydney.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY (426 miles).—Outward: Sept. 28, a steamer at 3.5 a.m.; Allinga, s, at noon.

LOW HEAD (509 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Wahatipu, s, at 5.30 p.m., for Sydney.

STRAHAN.—Dep.: Sept. 28, Karori, s, at 8.20 a.m., for Sydney.

ADELAIDE (1064 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Copley, Danish bq, from Capetown; Inveresk, bq, from South Africa; Star of New Zealand, s, from Sydney. Sept. 28, Amy Moir, ktch, from Tasmania. Dep: Sept. 28, Bombala, s, for Western Australia; Nardoo, s, for Newcastle.

FREMANTLE (2400 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Islanda, s, from Calcutta.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

WELLINGTON (1234 miles).—Arr: Sept. 29, Wailara, s, from Sydney.

WESTPORT (1076 miles).—Dep: Sept. 28, Winfield, s, for Newcastle.

GISBORNE (1430 miles).—Arr: Sept. 28, Frank Guy, bqtn, from Newcastle.

FIJI SHIPPING.

SUVA (1374 miles).—Arr.: Sept. 28, Condor, German warship, from Samoa.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average rainfall for 45 years, 49.426.
Average for 46 years from Jan. 1 to Aug. 31, 37,835.
Total from Jan. 1 to Sept. 28, 42,239.
Temperatures.—Maximum, 64.1; minimum 55.7, at 9 p.m. 48.5.
Humidity.—At 9 a.m., 76; at 3 p.m., 88.

BAROMETER READINGS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30.15; Geraldton, 30.15; Perth, 30.2; Esperance Bay, 30.27; Eucla, 30.27; Streaky Bay, 30.29; Adelaide, 30.32; Robe, 30.30; Portland, 30.2; Melbourne, 30.14; Wilson's Promontory, 30.00; Gabo Island, 29.90; Cape St. George, 29.81; Sydney, 29.8; Port Macquarie, 29.85; Clarence Heads, 29.78; Brisbane, 29.85; Rockhampton, 30.01; Mackay, 29.99.

RAINFALL.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Adelong 4 points, Armidale 65, Adaminaby 5, Albury 4, Barringun 22, Bateman's Bay 8, Bendemeer 94, Blackheath 54, Blackville 6, Blayney 29, Boggabilla 94, Boggabri 6, Bundella 18, Bungendore 11, Burrowa 75, Byrock 11, Byron 83, Bathurst 4, Bingara 45, Bodalla 1, Bourke 22, Bowral 37, Braidwood 9, Brewarrina 13, Broken Hill 9, Bundara 76, Camden Haven 24, Cape St. George 247, Carcoar 10, Casino 33, Cassilis 7, Clarence 20, Cobar 6, Condobolin 23, Coolah 5, Cooma 2, Coonabarabran 7, Cowra 20, Camden 8, Cape Hawke 8, Carrathool 2, Crookhaven 210, Dandaloo 13, Dubbo 3, Emmaville 90, Enngonia 22, Forbes 6, Gabo Island 5, Glen Innes 68, Goulburn 29, Grafton 20, Grenfell 26, Gulgong 30, Gunnedah 12, Gunning 29, Hungerford 7, Hay 2, Henty 12, Inverell 66, Ivanhoe 2, Jerry's Plains 12, Junee 3, Katoomba 72, Kempsey 31, Kiandra 2, Kiama 44, Kurrajong 30, Louth 74, Lawson 36, Lismore 22, Maitland 29, Manning Heads 15, Marsdens 2, Menindie 15, Mogil 79, Molong 14, Moree 89, Moruya 8, Moss Vale 98, Mount Victoria 57, Mungindi 23, Murrumburrah 3, Murrurundi 22, Muswellbrook 5, Manilla 94, Merriwa 11, Millie 62, Mossgiel 5, Mullumbimby 48, Nambucca 36, Nowra 140, Nundle 61, Narrabri 5, Newcastle 61, Nymagee 11, Orange 10, Picton 60, Pilliga 27, Port Macquarie 10, Port Stephens 74, Parramatta 42, Pooncarie 11, Quambone 2, Queanbeyan 23, Qurindi 15, Rockley 20, Scone 3, Singleton 23, Sydney 47, Springwood 23, Seal Rocks 106, Taralga 45, Tarcutta 9, Tilpa 4, Tumbarumba 4, Tabulam 22, Tumut 3, Tamworth 50, Taree 15, Tenterfield 58, Tweed Heads 128, Uralla 60, Ulladulla 51, Wanaaring 3, Wee Waa 18, Werris Creek 35, Windsor 12, Woolgoolga 12, Wagga 1, Walcha 75, Walgett 3, Warialda 110, Wellington 18, White Cliffs 2, Wilcannia 2, Wollongong 86, Young 50, Yass 25, Yetman 10.

Additional rainfall reported at 6 p.m.:—Bowral 4 points, Cape St. George 10, Kiandra 7, Moruya 18, Newcastle 141, Raymond Terrace 35, Sydney 2, Woolgoolga 3.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Byron Bay, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Ballina, S.E., cloudy, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, calm, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, S., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, S., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Manning Heads, S., fresh, thunderstorm, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, S., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Port Stephens, S., strong, heavy rain, sea rough; Newcastle, S., fresh gale, raining, sea slight; Lake Macquarie Heads, S., strong, misty rain, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, S., strong, misty rain, sea moderate; Barranjoey, E.S.E., moderate gale, showery, sea rough; South Head, S.S.E., strong, showery, sea rough; Wollongong, S., moderate gale, cloudy, sea moderate; Kiama, S.E., strong, raining, sea moderate; Crookhaven Heads, S.E., fresh, showery, sea moderate; Jervis Bay, S.S.W., fresh gale, squally, raining, sea rough; Ulladulla, S.W., light, raining, sea moderate; Bateman's Bay, calm, raining, sea moderate; Eden, Moruya, S.W., light, gloomy, sea moderate; Eden, S.W., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.W., strong gale, showery, sea rough; Gabo Island, S.S.W., strong, squally, showery, sea rough.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Unsettled, showery conditions prevailed throughout, with some thunderstorms in northern districts.

Tasmania.—Raining, with hailstorms, in the south, clear in the north.

Queensland.—Fine throughout, with small areas of cloud.

Western Australia.—Fine and clear in the tropics, fine but cloudy to overcast elsewhere.

Victoria.—Scattered showers over southern half, fine but cloudy elsewhere.

South Australia.—Fine but cloudy to threatening south of Port Augusta.

Northern Territory.—Unsettled in the north, clear over central parts.

THE RIVERS INLAND.

The heights of rivers above summer level at 9 a.m. on Wednesday were: Albury, 5ft 1in; Balranald, 8ft 6in; Bingara, 1ft 6in; Boggabilla, 1ft 6in, r; Bourke, 3ft 10in, f; Bourke, 2ft 8in, f; Brewarrina, 4ft 7in, f; Condobolin, 1ft 8in; Cowra, 1ft 11in; Dubbo, 2ft 4in; Euabalong, 3ft 7in, f; Euston, 10ft 4in; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 4ft 7in; Gunnedah, low, Hay, 4ft 3in; Hillston, 1ft 8in; Kunopia, low; Louth, 5ft 8in, f; Manilla, low; Menindie, 8ft; Mogil Mogil, low; Mungundi, 5ft; Moama, 27ft; Moulamein, 7ft 4in; Narrabri, 11ft 3in; Pooncarie, 10ft 4in; Tilpa, 4ft 8in, f; Tocumwal, 10ft; Wagga Wagga, 5ft 5in; Wentworth, 13ft 7in; Wilcannia, 6ft 10in, f; Yetman, 1ft; Barwon River, at Walgett, 8ft 8in, f; Namoi River, at Walgett, 5ft 1in, f.

Note.—R, rising; F, falling.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Cloudy to raining on the coast and highlands; some good falls probable; generally fine inland; cool, squally, southerly winds; strong to gales on the seaboard, with rough seas.—H. A. Hunt.

South Australia.—Except a few slight coastal showers, weather fine but cloudy, southerly winds.—C. Todd.

Western Australia.—Mostly fine, but the weather is in an unsettled condition, and scattered showers and thunderstorms are to be expected.—W. E. Cooke.

Victoria.—Fine far inland; occasionally cloudy in southern districts; squally, showery near coast; seas becoming fine generally; southerly winds blowing; fresh gales in eastern straits, with rough seas, but moderating from westward.—P. Baracchi.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR SEPTEMBER 29.

Sun rises at 5.36, sets at 5.56; Moon, 10.8 p.m., 8 a.m.; Mercury, 4.50 a.m., 4.34 p.m.; Venus, 4.38 a.m., 7.40 p.m.; Mars, 4.4 a.m., 2.55 p.m.; Jupiter, 7.20 p.m., 6.52 a.m.; Saturn, 1.37 p.m., 3.25 a.m. New Moon, October 9; full Moon, October 24. High water at Fort Denison, 10.51 a.m., 11.13 p.m.

RUSHCUTTER BAY PARK.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The proposed closing of this park should be vigorously protested against by the public. Many thousands of residents of that densely populated area about Darlinghurst have no other ground where they can take the air. Anyone walking round the bay in the afternoon will be convinced of the necessity for the public at all keeping these grounds open to the public at all times, without the hindrance of an entrance fee.

I am, etc.,
G. E. BRADLEY.

September 28.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Wednesday Evening.

There was a fair business in stocks and shares to-day, mostly at prices previously current. Commercial Bank of Sydney brought 26¼, with seller at close at the same figure. Transactions in Newcastle and North Coast were effected at last quotations; also in Australian Gaslight. North Shore Gas rather higher. In the miscellaneous list sales of Colonial Sugar, Sydney Hydraulic, Fresh Food and Ice were made at late rates.

The following sales were reported on 'Change:—Forenoon: Pitt, Son, and Badgery, 6s 6d; Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, 26¼; Colonial Sugar Refining, 38¾. Noon: Sydney Hydraulic, paid, 30s 6d; Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, 26¼; North Coast Steam, 19s. Afternoon: Newcastle and Hunter River Steam, 20s; Australian Gaslight, £17 3s, £17 3s 6d; Colonial Sugar Refining, £38 14s, 38¾; Fresh Food and Ice, 9s.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.	*Yield to Investor.
	£	£	£					p.c.
F.STOCK &c. N.S.W. F.S.— Act of 1892	549,350			4	100¼	100	...	4
Do., Act 1873	39,189			4	101½	100½	...	4
Do., 1912	3,499,127			3	81½	80	...	3¾
Do., 1912	973,997			3½	95½	89	...	3¾
Do. deb., 1908	...			4	99½	99	100½	4
Do. do., 1909	...			...	99½			
Do. F.S., 1925	272,225			3				
Do., T. Bills, 1905	1,000,000			3½	99	98	99¼	4
Do., T. Bills, 1906	1,000,000			3½	98½			
Ditto, 1908	...			...		98¼		
Do. Deb. 1909	300,300			4	100			4
N.Z. do., 1906	...			5				
Queens. Tra. Bills	...							
Col. Sugar— D., 1914	...			5	103½	103	...	4
City & Syd. Deb.	927,000			4	...	100		4
Ditto, 1928	60,000			4	102			4
Australian Gas Debentures	—			4	100	99½	100½	4
BANKS. Aust. J.S.	1,168,041	10	7½					
Austral'sia	1,600,000	40	40	12	92	89	...	5¼
City	240,000	10	8	4	82/6		83/	4
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	76/		77/	5¾
Com'l of Aust	94,882	10	10		4/10½	3/	4 6	
Ditto pref.	2,117,220	10	10	3	98/	97/	100	6
Com. Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	10	26½	26	26¼	4½
B. of Aus.	1,192,440	8	5	3½	60/			
Ditto, pref.	300,000	10	10	5				
N.S.W.	2,000,000	20	20	10	42½	42¼	42¾	4¾
New Zealand	427,319	6⅔	3⅓	5	40/			4
N. Qu'nsland	100,000	7	2	2½	12/6		13/	7¼
Q'nslandNat.	418,063	5	3		29			
Royal of Q.	457,496	9	6¾	3½	51/			5¼
Union	1,500,000	75	25	10	47	46	...	5¼
DEPOSITS. A.J.S. Bk.— Class A	...			3	17/10½	17/9	18/3	3¾
Class B	...			3	13/7	13/6	13/9	4¼
Do. Insc.	788,033			3¼	11/1½	11/1¼	11/4½	7
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	637,379			3	19/3	18/6	...	3½
Ditto Assets	3,334,902			3	13/3	13/	...	4½
E.S.A. Insc. pref.	889,418			3	11/3	11/6	12/	5
Do. def.	817,477			4½	15/9	15/6	...	5
Do. Deb.	983,547			4	15/1½	15/9	...	4½
Q'nslandNat.	3,116,621			3½	18/3	13/	13/9	5¼
STEAM. Palm'n Ferry	16,420	1	1	5	20/9	23/		4½
Illawarra	49,795	5	3	8½	97/6	95/	5½	5¼
How'd'smith Stepaid	250,000	20	20	10	18/			5¾
Ditto pref.	250,000	20	5	5	...			
Newcastle	150,000	1	1	6	20/	19/9	20/8	6
North Coast	131,250	1	17/6	6	19/	18/9	19/3	5¼
Sd. Ferries	140,000	1	1	10	47/	46/6		4¼
P. Jackson	25,000	50	25/	8	30/			
Ditto Co-op.	6,745	1	1	4	...			
INSURANCE. A.M. Fire	62,500	1	12/6	14½	40/	39/6		4½
Mer. Mut.	37,500	1	5	16½	15/2	15/2	16/	5¼
N. Zealand	200,000	10	2	15	91/6			6¾
N. Q'land	50,000	1	10		13/			
Ditto	3,562	1		8				
United	62,500	10	2½	12½	96/	96/	97	6½
Ditto new	5,725	10	12/6	12½	31/	30/		
GAS. Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	26/3	20/		6½
Australian	750,000	6	6	15	17/7/6	17½	17½	5¼
Ch. Towers	20,000	10	10		14/9			
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	51/	49/		6½
Grafton	8,500	1	1	8	27/6		28/	5½
M'tl'nd Gas	15,500	5	5	7		6		
Manly	10,000	1	1	8	26/			
Ditto New	5,000	1	10	8		12/9	14/	
Mudgee	10,000	1	1	7	18/3	18/6	19/	7¼
Newcastle	38,200	2	2	15	6	5½	6	
N. Shore	125,000	1	1	8	30/9	30/6	31/6	5
Do., New	12,500	1	10/		23/	20/		
BREWERIES. Australian	48,000	10	10/	3	8/	...	8/	
T. and Wood Bros.	250,000	1	1	4	10/	...	10/3	8
Marshall's	71,250	10	5	6	8/	...		9
Peck ns'	36,335	15	15	22½	46/			8
Toohey's	550,000	1	1	5	16/	19/	16/	6½
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	8	27/6	27/3	27/9	5¾
MISCEL'N'S. Aarons'	17,500	15	10/			1/9	2/2	
Aus. News	40,000	1	1		7/			
F. G. & W. sup.	285,000	1	1		18/			
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	29/6		30/	5
New Issue	35,000	1	10	8	15/3			5¼
Col. Sugar	2,000,000	20	20	10	39½	38 14	39¼	5¼
Do. new £10 pd		20	10		28	28		
Dalgety & Co.	1,000,000	20	5	5	87/6		89/	5¾
Dunlop Pneumatic Tyre	80,000	1	1	7	15/	17/	...	
Emu & Prospect Gravel	27,200	1	10	7	9/		9/	
Mailt'n Co.	21,050	1	13	7¼	9/3		10/	10½
Met. Trans.	480,000	1	10		21/3	2/		
W'de Ports	74,402	1	1	10	37	36/6	37/6	6½
Ditto new	...							
Mort's Dock	200,000	1	1		17	12/3		
Ditto Pref.	45,301	1	1	6	17/6	...	18/3	6½
F. Food, Ice	91,750	12	10		9/	8/6	9/3	
Hab. and Oil	80,000	1	17		3/			
New Yorkand B. Tob.	15,000	1	1	10	19/			
Perm. Trust	25,000	5	2/0	8	4/1	4/1	4/2	5
Perp. Trust	25,000	10	5	10	16/3	10/	10/6	5
Queen's M. Exp.								
Richardson & Wrench	60,000	1	1	5	11/	11/		9
Silv. Tram	137,000	1	1	20	55/	50/6		
Syd. Exch.	70,000	10	10	6	12	11¾		5
Syd. Hyd.	75,000	1	1	10	30/6	30/6	31/	6¼
Ditto	37,500	1	10	10	15/6	15/	16/	6¼
Ditto Hyd. & C.L.	15,000	1	10	10	14/3	14/3	15/3	7
Vol. Land Ord					12/			
Hall's Merc. Agency	12,000	1	20	8	...	..	18/	
Manly Water Chute	...				6/	5/6	6/	
W. H. Soul, Patt. & Co.	120,000	1	1	10	31/6	30/	32	6½
LAND & BD. Excels. Dep.	...				9/6	9/		
Haymark. D.	...				17/			
Do. Shares	...			5	...	16/6	18/6	
Holt-Sutherld.	8,000	20	17	100				
Ind. Prov.	45,000	20						5½
Intercl. P's	36,974	1	15/	9				
N'w-c. & I.	...					20/		
Syd. Frs. L.	15,750	7	2	1/3				

*Where dividends are [illegible] the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one.

The chief figures of the satisfactory balance-sheet of the Bank of Australasia for the half-year ended in April make the following favourable comparison with those of the two previous half-years:—

	April, 1903.	Oct., 1903.	April, 1904.
Deposits	£14,758,613	£14,962,649	£15,106,271
Cash and securities	5,391,729	4,996,287	5,673,500
Bills	14,770,154	14,750,263	14,583,907
Net profit	142,558	151,799	159,933
Dividend per annum	12	12	12

Against the corresponding half of 1903 there was an increase of £347,658 in deposits, of which £281,851 is shown among the cash and securities, the reserve being thus materially strengthened, a slight increase of £15,754 appearing under the head bills discounted.

Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., the agents of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, are in receipt of advices from the head office announcing that "for the year ended Dec. 31, 1903, a dividend to shareholders of 35dol per share has been declared (equal to 35 per cent.), and a sum of 100,000dol added to the reserve fund, which now stands at 1,850,000dol. A further reserve in sterling has been made of £20,050." The funds of the society now stand at 7,685,361dol.

At the sixty-ninth half-yearly meeting of the Civil Service Co-operative Society to-day, under the presidency of Mr. W. R. Beaver, the directors' report, of which we have given the principal features, was adopted, and Messrs. Benjamin Lee, W. V. Read, and G. P. Unwin were re-elected directors. Messrs. D. H. Gilfillan, C. S. Gregory, and L. S. Drummond having been nominated as auditors, two only being required, it was resolved that a ballot should take place to-morrow (Thursday).

The Empire takes gold to the value of £11,029, shipped by various Chinese merchants for Hongkong.

The comparative progress of population in the United Kingdom and Japan indicates a good deal of similiarity. From the fourth financial and annual report of the Japanese Minister of Finance, furnished to us by the Acting Consul-General for Japan, a comprehensive document published in English, and from the British official reports we take the following figures of the population:—

	Japan.*	U. Kingdom.
1872	33,110,000	32,124,000
1883	37,017,000	35,604,000
1893	41,388,000	38,129,000
1902	46,304,000	42,373,000

*Exclusive of Formosa, annexed in 1897 and containing a population of 3,082,000.

In 30 years there was an increase of 13,004,000, or 39 per cent., in the number of inhabitants in Japan; while in the United Kingdom there was an increase in the same time of 10,249,000, or 31 per cent. only. A larger proportion of the natural born population of the United Kingdom emigrated during the period mentioned than left the shores of Japan. The emigration of natural born subjects from the United Kingdom in 30 years was 5,950,000. Apart from emigration and immigration, the population of the two countries from excess of births over deaths seems to increase at much about the same ratio. Certainly there is no very marked difference in this respect—such, for instance, as there is between France and England. Still, there are only about 310 persons per square mile in Japan, as against 352 in the United Kingdom. Other points of comparison between the two countries are as follow:—

	Japan. 1893.	Japan. 1903.	U. Kingdom. 1893.	U. Kingdom. 1903.
	£	£	£	£
P'blic r'nue	8,588,000	23,180,000	90,400,000	142,000,000
Debt	26,081,000	56,491,000	671,000,000	762,000,000
Imp. trade	8,825,000	31,713,000	405,000,000	543,000,000
Exp. trade	8,971,000	28,950,000	218,000,000	286,000,000

There are striking differences between the two countries, which have frequently been put into comparison. The figures, however, show very great progress in the Eastern country.

The smallness of the wages and the cheapness of provisions in Japan are shown very clearly in the report from which we have quoted, but both wages and prices have risen in a very marked degree since 1896. A few illustrations may be given, the yen being taken at 2s.

WAGES OF WORKERS.

	1896. d.	1902. s. d.
Carpenter	9	1 1
Sawyer	8½	1 2
Stonemason	9¼	1 5
Bricklayer	9	1 0
Tailor, Japanese Clothing	7½	0 11
Tailor, Foreign	10½	1 2
Compositor	6¼	0 10½
Day labourer	6¼	0 10

It is said that in some instances allowances of food are given to labourers. The advance in wages equal on the average to fully 50 per cent. was accompanied during the same time by a rise in provisions, clothing, and fuel ranging from 10 to 50 per cent. In one or two instances the percentage being even higher. The rise in commodities was not, however, quite so great on the whole as in wages. In rice the advance was 21 per cent., in wheat 17 per cent., in tea 28 per cent., in sake 62 per cent., in white cotton cloth 18 per cent., in kerosene 8 per cent., in coal 20 per cent., the price being quoted in 1902 as 12s 4d per ton. Salt and eggs have declined, the latter being rather less than 6d per dozen. While the conditions of the Japanese labourer have improved, they are still far less favourable then those of a British or European workman, and if he could only manufacture his warships and warlike implements and ammunition at rates proportionate to these figures, the Japanese fleet and army would be effective at less than half the charges of a Western Power.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Sept. 27.

BANKS AND AUSTRALIAN STOCKS.

Bank of Australasia, 88.

Bank of New South Wales, ½ higher at 39½.

Union Bank of Australia, 1 higher at 45½.

National Bank of New Zealand, ¼ higher at 52.

Bank of New Zealand 4 per cent. guarantee stock, new issue, 102.

New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company 4 per cent., 86½.

City of Melbourne 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 101.

Melbourne Harbour Trust 4½ per cent. bonds, unchanged at 100.

Melbourne Tramway Trust 4½ per cent. debentures unchanged at 104.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works 4 per cent. debentures, 1 higher at 102.

M'Cracken's City Brewery 4 per cent. debentures, 54½.

AMERICAN SHIPMENTS OF WHEAT.

The quantity of wheat and flour shipped from the Atlantic coast of America for Europe during the past week aggregated 5000 quarters, as against 2000 quarters a week ago. The Pacific Coast shipment were 15,000 quarters, against 3000 quarters a week ago.

SHIPMENTS AFLOAT.

The following were the shipments afloat on the dates mentioned:—

—	Sept. 13, 1904.	Sept. 20, 1904.	Sept. 27, 1904.
	Quarters.	Quarters.	Quarters.
For United Kingdom	2,910,000	2,820,000	2,700,000
For Continent	1,675,000	1,750,000	1,685,000
Total	4,585,000	4,570,000	4,385,000

SILVER.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 2¼d per ounce standard, an advance of ⅛d since yesterday.

WHEAT.

The cargo of the Sylfid has been sold at about 32s 9d per 480lb c.f.i.

METALS.

Closing prices are:—

Copper.—Spot 58 2-16, and three months 58¼.

Tin.—Spot 127¾, and three months 128¼.

Lead.—Soft foreign 11 29-32 per ton.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat was steady to-day, without there being much business doing. Nominally prices ranged between 3s 6½d and 3s 7d. So far the rains have apparently had no effect on the market. Cables from London indicate unchanged prices there. Flour ruled quiet, there being a good deal of country flour available that millers are anxious to turn into cash at £5 5s per ton. For small lots ordinary terms up to £9 are still being quoted.

At Darling Harbour 698 tons of wheat and 126 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

Seasonable weather for seeding is advised from New Zealand, and it is expected that a larger area will be placed under grain, as prices offer every inducement in that direction. Messrs. Kaye and Carter, writing from Christchurch under date September 20, state:—"Wheat: Very little has been exported, as local prices are relatively higher than can be obtained by shipment, even at the winter freights that still continue to rule. The "bullish" reports from America have helped to harden up holders, but the slight effect these have had so far on the London market seems to indicate that more credible information must be forthcoming before full credence can be given to reported shortages, which should bring about sustained higher values. Flour: In sympathy with wheat prices have been maintained, and stocks are beginning to appreciably accumulate; however, as some of the mills will shortly be closed down for annual overhaul, the extra quantity can then be worked off. Quotations: Wheat, 3s 6d to 3s 7d; flour, £9 5s to £9 10s.

The value of Australian wheat in London has not varied during the last few days, as far as can be judged from our cable advices, the market remaining firm at the highest prices of the season. The wild fluctuations in America find no imitators in Europe, but the fact remains that the course of prices in America is all important, seeing that it will be extremely difficult for the requirements of the importing countries this season to be supplied without important supplies from America. Meanwhile, in the absence of definite knowledge of the American crop, and the growing impression that the Russian crop is not so poor as was expected, buyers at Mark Lane are inclined to hold back, whatever may be in store for the future. It is, nevertheless, "Beerbohm" believes, exceedingly probable that the season just commenced will be one in which it will be found more difficult to meet the current requirements than in any season since 1897-98. In other words, the demand may easily overtake the supply, instead of as in the past few years, the supply being always in excess of the demand. There is, in fact, a probability that the requirements of the importing countries will reach 65 to 67 millions quarters; the exporting countries, other than America and Canada, supplied last year the record quantity of 45 million quarters. To again furnish such a total Argentina and Australasia must have a repetition of their record crops of last year, and India must have a favourable outlook for her new crop. The balance of 20 million quarters must be obtained from somewhere, and will probably be found to a great extent by drawing upon reserve stocks, which is a process seldom unattended by rising markets. A somewhat extraordinary comparison of the present position with that of 1897-98 (the "Leiter" season) having found its way into English papers from a Chicago journal, it may be well to give the following comparison of the principal points in the two seasons:—

IMPORT REQUIREMENTS.

	1904-'05. Qrs.	1897-'98. Qrs.
United Kingdom	27,250,000	22,000,000
France	3,000,000	10,750,000
Germany, Belgium and Holland	16,500,000	12,000,000
Italy	5,500,000	4,500,000
Other European countries	8,000,000	4,500,000
Total Europe	60,250,000	53,750,000
Total Extra-Europe	6,500,000	4,000,000
Grand total	66,750,000	57,750,000
American crop and visible and invisible supply	75,000,000	85,000,000
Indian crop	44,000,000	24,000,000
French crop	35,000,000	31,000,000
European crop	188,000,000	151,000,000
World's crop	355,000,000	291,000,000

The increase in the world's consumption since 1897-98 is probably about 10 per cent., or about 32 million quarters, so that it would appear that there is more wheat available than was the case in 1897-'98, although the sources of supply have changed vastly.

IMPORT MARKET.

Trade continued rather quiet in this market to-day in most departments. The weather charts were still attracting more than ordinary attention. So far prices do not appear to have been influenced for the better to any material extent. Cornsacks were certainly less weak locally, and cables from Calcutta advise a rise there. Doubtless this is based on the knowledge of the rains having fallen in the wheat districts. Teas moved off fairly freely, good to fine leaf being firm and in request, while low grades were plentiful and difficult to quit. Sugar advanced 5s to 12s 6d per ton in sympathy with the recent rises in the world's markets. In groceries trade was chiefly confined to distributing orders. Dried fruits ruled firm, with a fair demand, Eastern produce being generally slow of sale. Liquors saw no material change, nor were brewer's goods any more freely sought after. In the metal department quietness prevailed, both oils and chemicals being featureless.

The Oban Bay cleared at the Customs-house to-day for Falmouth with 14,421 bags of wheat, shipped by Messrs. John Darling and Son.

Teas.—80 chests of Ceylon broken pekoes moved off privately at 8d to 10d, 40 ditto fine la ¼d, and 10 chests of the lower grades at 6¼d to 7d. Forty packages of Indians were taken at 9d per lb.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. will offer at auction to-morrow (Thursday), at the City Mart, 483 packages of Ceylon teas ex Lombard and India, and 257 Indian teas, on account of Thompson, Fraser, Ramsay Proprietary, Limited.

Messrs. Cyril Trower and Co. will offer, at 284 George-street, on Tuesday, October 4, 600 packages of Ceylon teas, under instructions from Messrs. A. Tange and Co.

Sugar.—The Colonial Sugar Company advise an advance of from 5s to 12s 6d per ton in their sugars, the revised prices being:—Tablets (in half-cwt. boxes), £27 10s; icing or powdered sugar, £27 10s; caster sugar, £23 15s; coffee crystals, £22 10s; brewers' crystals, £22; 1.X., or confectioners' crystals, £21 10s; I.A. (dried sugar for table use), £21; No. 1 (I.W. or Snowdrop), £21; No. 2 (I.C. or pieces), £20 15s; No. 3, £18 15s per ton. The prices of the smaller packages, boxes, etc., have also been advanced 6d per cwt., as follows:—Tablets, in 56lb boxes 27s 6d, in 2lb cartons ditto 29s 6d, coffee crystals in 70lb hessians 22s 6d, in 14lb calico bags 23s 6d, in 7lb calico bags 23s 6d; caster sugar, in 56lb calico bags 23s 9d, in 14lb calico bags 24s 9d; icing sugar, in 56lb calico bags 27s 6d, in 14lb calico bags 28s 6d, in cases containing 16 7lb tins 35s 6d, in cases containing 28 2lb tins 30s 6d per cwt.

These advances were not altogether unexpected, in view of the series of sharp advances that have recently been cabled from London.

Groceries.—D.R.J. candles remained quiet at 6d, a price that importers complain is quite unprofitable. Small parcels of White's jelly crystals moved off.

Dried Fruits.—50 cases of currants sold for export at market rates.

Eastern Produce.—Japan rice continued to be quoted at £21 despite the fact that it would cost £1 or £1 10s per ton more to replace stocks on the basis of present laid-down costs. Other lines in this branch were very slow of sale indeed, consumption seemingly being much below normal.

Metals.—10 tons of hoops moved off at £11 per ton. Truckloads of black fencing wire were placed at £7 15s and £8 for 8 and 10 gauge.

Jute Goods.—Private cables from Calcutta advise a recovery of ⅛d per doz. in the c.i.f. price of cornsacks for October and later shipments. Locally 5s 3½d c.i.f. was offered for parcels from first hands, but higher rates were generally looked for, and little if any business resulted. Branbags were quoted at 3s 6d, but there were no inquiries. Woolpacks were firmly held at 2s; for 20oz ore bags 3s was the rate asked.

Oils.—The course of the linseed oil market as advised by our weekly cables has been somewhat erratic of late. A clear idea of the position may be gained from the following mail information in regard to the raw product.—Linseed: Agricultural conditions were so very favourable last season, both in the Argentine and India, that it is impossible for the present year's crops to be more favoured in that respect, and if, as is claimed by a good many in the trade, the acreage should prove to be materially smaller in the Plate, there will be a decrease (more or less important) in the supplies available next season. On the other hand, a serious advance in prices would, no doubt cause a decrease in the consumption, which has been on an unprecedented scale this year. Meanwhile the present year's shipments will be much larger than in any previous year. The rise in values early in the week is partly attributed to the improvement in grain prices, it being thought that, if the average range of prices of wheat, maize, barley, etc., rule higher than last year, linseed and other articles will also benefit. Mail advices from Buenos Ayres speak favourably of crop prospects, and our cables last week also described agricultural reports as quite satisfactory, but reports have been received in London this week stating that the condition of the crop is not good, and that the acreage is less than last year. Present prices of linseed, compared with the last three years:—

	London.
At mail date	35s 0d per quarter.
One week earlier	35s 3d per quarter.
Month earlier	34s 7½d per quarter.
One year earlier	35s 6d per quarter.
Two years earlier	52s 0d per quarter.
Three years earlier	55s 6d per quarter.

Messrs. S. H. Harris and Co. will offer at auction to-morrow (Thursday) a quantity of softgoods w.a.f., ex Damascus, on account of those concerned.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £11,226. The principal items were:—Stimulants, £2,904; narcotics, £1211; sugar, £215; agricultural products and groceries, £547; apparel and textiles, £912; metals and machinery, £542; oils, paints, and varnishes, £398; earthenware, cement, etc., £288; drugs and chemicals, £114; wood, wicker, and cane, £187; jewellery and fancy goods, £563; leather and rubber, £293; paper and stationery, £37; vehicles, £18; musical instruments, £78; miscellaneous, £74; pilotage, £62; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £256; excise on beer, £1915; excise on starch, £109; excise on sugar, £10.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour on Wednesday 3950 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail, while at Newcastle on Tuesday 602 bales were received.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange quotations were:—Adelaide Steamship Company, b £5 10s, s £6 1s; Bank of Adelaide, b £6 11s.

Wheat was firm to-day. Sales were made at 3s 6¾d to 3s 7d. Holders were strong. Flour sold at £8 15s. Some millers ask £9. Bran is worth 7¼d to 7½d, pollard 7¾d to 8d.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange quotations were:—Queensland National Bank, b 13s 2d, s 13s 6d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 4 per cents., 1923, £103; Victorian 3 per cent. stock, £90 10s; National Bank, 57s; ditto preference, 21s; Squatting and Investment, 24s.

Good business was done in wheat at 3s 7¼d ex store to 3s 8¼d alongside the ship. Flour, active at £8 15s to £9. There are also further export inquiries for bran at 7¼d. Pollard, 7¼d to 7½d. Algerian oats 1s 2½d to 1s 4d. Maize, quiet, 2s 1½d to 2s 2d. Chaff, 30s to 45s. Potatoes, 15s to 60s. Onions, firmer at £4 10s. Business in tea covers 440 chests Ceylon at 7d to 11d, 270 chests Indian at 7½d to 9½d. Currants are in good demand at 4½d to 4¾d for fair to good provincial. 150 boxes imported sultanas sold. Fair business done in Mildura sultanas. Good business done in Mildura primes. About 120 kegs cream of tartar sold. Tartaric acid is firm, with business. Good sales made of dry ginger and desiccated coconut. Cornsacks, quiet, at 5s 10d. Branbags, firm, at 3s 6d. Woolpacks, 2s. A fair parcel of No. 8 fencing wire sold. Castor oil sold up to 2s 4d. Factory butter, firm, at 9½d to 10d. Eggs, 7½d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

The steamer Wakatipu left to-day for Sydney direct with 1062 bags oats, 21 bags chaff, 370 bags potatoes, 4 bags grass seed, 650 bundles bark, 615 bales straw.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The steamer Peregrine sailed to-day for Sydney with 113 bags flour, 482 bags oats, 296 boxes raisins, 250 bags malt, 301 bales and 1016 bags chaff, 102 cases jam, 10 bags barley, 22 bales hay, 330 bales fodder, 1167 bags onions, 2 packages hops.

The steamer Allinga sailed to-day for Sydney with 374 bales chaff, 299 bales hay, 240 bales fodder, 140 bags maize, 100 sacks malt, 48 bags onions, 10 bags peas, 11 cases raisins, 4 bales hops.

PALMER'S ISLAND, Wednesday.

The steamer Kyogle left for Sydney at 9.30 a.m. Cargo: 20 bgs bones, 47 sides bacon, 3 hides, 1136 bgs maize, 890 bgs sugar, 9 bgs peas and beans, 421 bxs butter, 257 cs eggs, 50 pkgs hdb, 16 pkgs furniture, 9 coops poultry, 50 hides, 2 horses, 41 pigs, and a large quantity of sundries.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Wednesday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

To the observance of the retailers' half-holiday, coupled with the depressing influence of the month-end, was attributed the quiet state of trade in the produce markets of the city to-day. The effect of the general rains was more easily noticeable in business to-day, and the attitude of buyers was what might be expected. In the first place, those who have been speculating—that is, buying beyond ordinary requirements on the chance of another drought—have for the present drawn out of the market. Again steady operators have become instinctively aware that heavier deliveries of produce will now arrive, and thus cause depreciation in prices. Consequently both classes of buyers were disinclined to purchase except in small parcels to-day, and business was very dull. Chaff and eggs were reduced in value, while another advance was made in the onion market.

Quiet conditions ruled throughout dairy produce lines. Butter commanded steady attention, while cheese remained very firm. Heavy stocks and poor demand forced the egg market to recede another step. Some agents complained that recent shipments of Northern eggs included a great number of diminutive specimens.

At to-day's auction chaff declined about 5s per ton, and only about half the consignments found disposal. Some extra green wheaten samples realised up to £3 15s, while prime cuts sold at from £3 to £3 10s per ton. Imported chaff receded in sympathy. Melbourne lots being quoted up to £3, and Adelaide wheaten £3 15s per ton. By figures shown below it will be seen that about 23,000 bags of Melbourne and oaten chaff were imported during the week ending to-day. In the imported oaten hay and straw markets business was slow at late levels. The inquiry for lucerne hay was better, owing to the rain yesterday preventing buyers from operating. At auction prime Mudgee went at £3 5s, while choice new green on the wharf realised £3, and in small bales £3 5s per ton. The Newcastle steamer did not this morning bring any to hand. Oats were a trifle weaker, prime local Algerian feed changing hands at 1s 7d and 1s 7½d per bushel. Sales of prime Cape barley were made at 2s 2d, but inferior samples only brought 1s 8d per bushel. The maize market was still under a cloud of uncertainty, but 2s 6d per bushel was apparently the market value of yellow grain, and white 2s 5d per bushel. There was very little business, however, at these figures, and it is unlikely that a clearer position will be defined until advices about the dimensions of future shipments are received. Chickwheat found steady buyers at late rates. The potato market was still greatly neglected, even at prices quoted. Holders of onions had the market in their own hands, as stocks were extremely light. Sales of prime Portarlington bulbs were made at £6 per ton. Tasmanian Swede turnips were practically off the market.

The appended list shows the receipts of some of the chief products which arrived by rail, coastwise, and from interstate ports for the week ended Wednesday, September 28, together with the figures for the previous week and during the year:—

BUTTER.

	Coastal. Cases.	By rail. Cases.	Kegs.	Other States. Cases.
Week's receipts	6,707	4,292	25	323
Previous week	6,675	3,485	21	200
Up to date	276,248	126,645	1,094	16,031

MAIZE.

	Coastal. Bags.	By rail. Bags.	*Other States. Bags.
Week's receipts	5,397	—	685
Previous week	6,183	56	757
Up to date	279,866	5,563	32,288

*These figures include island maize and Queensland maize arriving by rail.

OATS.

	Coastal. Bags.	By rail. Bags.	*Other States. Bags.
Week's receipts	—	2,406	2,131
Previous week	10	1,456	2,581
Up to date	33	68,153	129,093

*These figures include New Zealand oats.

CHAFF.

	Bags.	Bags.	Bags.
Week's receipts	—	26,320	23,004
Previous week	—	27,030	7,904
Up to date	110	1,571,010	247,042

POTATOES.

	Bags.	Bags.	Bags.*
Week's receipts	16	374	13,155
Previous week	—	198	14,832
Up to date	27,423	43,502	517,244

*During the week 2554 bags were transhipped, exclusive of these numbers.

Wholesale quotations were:—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon and Hams.—Best factory, sides 5½d to 6d, flitches 5d to 5½d, middles 7d to 7½d; York Castle, mild-cured and flitches 6½d, middles 8½d; Federal, sides and flitches 6½d, middles 8½d; Pineapple, middles 7¾d, flitches 6d, sides 6½d; Bodalla, sides 6d, middles 8d, flitches 6d; F. F. and L., sides 6½d, flitches 6½d, middles 8½d; B in circle, sides 6d, flitches 6d, middles 7½d. Hams: Colonial, in cloth, 8d, small weights 9d; Pineapple, 9½d; New Zealand, 11d; York Castle, 8½d to 9d; Bodalla, 10½d; F. F. and L., 11d; B in circle 8½d lb.

Butter.—Prime 9d to 9½d, choice selected brands 9½d, seconds 8½d, pastry makes 8d lb.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf 4½d to 4¾d, choice 5d, good 3½d to 4d, prime large 4½d to 4¾d, inferior from 4d; Kameruka Cheddar, 5½d; Bodalla, 5½d lb.

Eggs.—Northern, 6½d to 6¼d; South 6½d, choice to 7d; suburban new-laid 7½d, odd lots 8d doz.

POULTRY.

Fowls.—River: Hens 3s 3d to 3s 6d, choice 3s 9d, young roosters 3s 6d to 4s; English river ducks, 3s 9d to 4s; Muscovy ducks, river 3s 9d to 4s, drakes 4s to 4s 6d; geese, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; turkeys, gobblers 10s to 13s, choice 15s, hens 6s to 7s; guinea fowls, 3s 6d to 3s 9d pair.

GAME.

Pigeons.—Common 2s, Wonga 3s to 3s 6d pair.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—Local: Choice wheaten to £3 15s, prime £3 to £3 10s, medium £2 10s to £2 18s 4d, inferior from £1 10s. Melbourne: Prime £3, medium £2 10s to £2 15s, inferior from £2 5s. Adelaide: Choice £3 15s ton.

Oaten Hay.—Melbourne: Hydraulic-pressed, prime £3, medium £3 10s to £3 15s. Local: Nominal.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed—Tasmanian: £1 15s to £1 17s 6d ton. Local: Nominal.

Lucerne.—Lucerne wharf: Prime new green £2 15s to £3, small £3 5s, soft £2 to £2 5s, prime dry brown £2 to £2 10s, medium £1 10s to £1 15s. Redfern: Prime Mudgee, £3 5s. Northern: Brown dry, large bales £2 5s, truss £1 15s to £2 ton.

FEED-GRAIN MARKET.

Oats.—Melbourne: Algerian, 1s 6d to 1s 7d, choice 1s 8d. Tasmanian: White feed 2s to 2s 2d, choice 2s 3d. Local: Feed Algerian 1s 7d to 1s 7½d, white heavy 2s 1d to 2s 3d, medium 1s 11d to 2s bus.

Barley.—English feed 2s 1d to 2s 3d, Cape 2s to 2s 2d, inferior 1s 10d, malting 3s to 3s 4d bus.

Maize.—River: Prime dry yellow 2s 6d, white grain 2s 5d bus.

Peas.—Grey 3s to 3s 3d, blue 4s to 4s 3d bus.

Chickwheat.—Inferior and pinched 2s to 2s 5d, medium 2s 6d to 2s 11d, and full-grain 3s to 3s 2d, second milling 3s 3d to 3s 5d bus.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran was quoted at 7d, and pollard at 7½d bus.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Slow. Tasmanian Circulars, choice redskins £2 15s, prime £2 10s to £2 12s 6d, darkskins £2 5s to £2 10s, old shipment from £2. Seed: New Zealand kidneys, £3 10s to £4 5s. Local: Early Rose, £3 to £3 5s; Brownell's, £2 15s to £3 ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Onions.—Firm. Portarlingtons, prime £6 ton.

Turnips.—Tasmanian, nominal.

Honey.—Choice 2½d to 2¾d, prime 2d, good 1¾d lb, for tins containing 60lb.

Lard.—Bulk 3½d to 3¾d, bladders 4½d, Bodalla 5d lb.

REDFERN SALES.

There was a substantial increase in the number of chaff consignments forward for auction sale at the Redfern yards this morning. Other lines were available in but small dimensions. Buyers were only in sparse attendance, and competition was very weak. The feature of the sale was the drop of about 5s per ton in chaff. Out of 40 trucks of chaff offered 22 trucks remained unsold—a much larger proportion than usual, which was due to the fact that agents were inclined to pass offerings rather than accept the reduced rates. Some extra green wheaten samples of chaff sold at 3s 6d and 3s 9d; prime cuts realised from 3s to 3s 6d, medium 2s 6d to 2s 11d, and inferior from 1s 6d to 2s per cwt. Lucerne chaff went at 2s 5d, and top price for oaten was 3s 3d per cwt. The few consignments of lucerne were in fair demand. Prime green Mudgee hay brought 3s 3d, and good Northern makes in large bales sold at 2s 2d and 2s 3d per cwt. Wheat sold well at full prices. Prime but pinched chick-wheat cleared at 2s 10d, broken at 2s 7d, and screenings at 1s 4½d per bushel. Prime Cape barley sold at 2s 2d, and inferior 1s 8d per bushel. Prime Algerian oats were disposed of at 1s 7d and 1s 7½d per bushel.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Geo. Wells and Matthews, H. Prescott and Co., Sheppard, Harvey, and Walker, Ellis and Co., J. Bartram and Son, Stewart, Porteous, Dixon, and Co., J. W. Gray and Co., Walker and Oxby, Dent and Perry, Wright, Heaton, and Co., Ltd., and the Farmers and Settlers' Co-operative Society.

The produce forward consisted of 47 trucks, in the following proportions:—Chaff 40 trucks, lucerne 3, wheat 3, and oats 1.

Consignments were disposed of as follow:—

Chaff.—From Younghusband, Albury, (6134) 2s; C. W. Rock, Nemingha, (679) lucerne 2s 5d; K. O. War, Glen Innes, (5184) passed; Eimer Bros., (3994) 1s 6d and 1s 9d; J. O'Malley, Blayney, (4091) passed, (5189) passed; Naylor, Liverpool, (3282) passed; W. C. Spackman, Murrumburrah, (9780) 2s 11d, (12133) 2s 10d; W. Cormack, Demondrille, (6188) passed; J. S. Gardiner, Maryvale, (2967) passed, (2929) 3s, (3430) passed; Jno. Garlick, Lime siding, (3804) passed; W. H. and Co., oats, Narromine, (11495) passed, (1744) passed; A. Loiterton, Cootamundra, (991) 3s 6d, (7317) 3s 1d, (1658) 3s 6d, (3990) 3s 8d, (3013) passed, (11307) 3s 3d; W. H. Rowston, Coolamon, (7793) passed, (683) passed; Logan, Ganmain, (6913) passed; E. A. Smith, Dubbo, (3270) passed; A. B. Kirkman, Lyndhurst, (4661) passed; G. H. Hubbard, Maryvale, (960) passed; G. Hillier, Wallendbeen, (6739) 3s; Department of Agriculture, Bomen, (3086) passed, (4986) 3s 9d, (1488) 3s 9d, (11285) 3s 9d; T. Balfour and Sons, Culcairn, (2824) 2s 9d; Jno. Quinn, Stockinbingal, (5327) passed; Cutler Bros., Culcairn, (7976) passed; Geo. Pettet, Demondrille, (1661) 2s 9d; W. Holmes, Stockinbingal, (161) passed; J. Dwyer, Orange, (5705) 2s 6d cwt; W. H. and Co., Parkes, (9778) passed.

Lucerne.—From A. I. Cox, Mudgee, (5999) 3s 3d; L. M'Kinnon, Moonbi, (7735) 2s 3d; Laidlaw Bros., Moonbi, (219) 2s 2d cwt.

Wheat.—From Loneragan, Mudgee, (4794) 1s 4½d; Ashwood Bros., Coolamon, (4323) 32 bags 1 10d, 19 bags 2s 7d, and barley 2s 2d and 1s 8d bushel; G. H. Piggott and Co., Manilla, (7291) passed.

Oats.—From H. Prescott and Co., Borenore, (7139) part 1s 7½d, and 65 bags 1s 7d bushel.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Agents at the metropolitan fruit markets to-day reported a satisfactory turnover at unreduced prices. Prime mandarins were in good request at 5s 6d per gin-case, while for oranges and ripe loquats quick sale was found.

Current quotations were:—

Coconuts.—10s to 10s 6d bag.

Bananas.—Queensland, 2s 6d to 4s bunch, 8s 6d to 9s 6d case; Fiji, nominal, pending shipment.

Lemons.—Local: Prime 2s, good 1s to 1s 6d, inferior unsaleable.

Loquats.—Common, choice 3s to 3s 6d, good 2s to 2s 6d half-case, small unsaleable; mammoth, choice 7s half-case.

Mandarins.—Thorneys, choice 3s to 3s 6d half-case, good 2s 3d to 2s 6d, small 1s 6d to 2s gin-case; Emperors, choice 5s 6d, good 3s 6d to 4s, inferior 2s to 2s 6d gin-case.

Passionfruit.—Choice 5s to 6s, good 4s 6d half-case, small 4s gin-case.

Oranges.—Navels: 15s to 16s, medium 7s to 8s, small 3s gin-case. Local: Seville, unsaleable; common, 5s to 8s, medium 3s 6d to 4s 6d, small 2s to 3s gin-case.

Apples.—Local: Rough 2s to 2s 6d. Tasmanian: Crabs, 4s to 5s, choice 6s; Scarlets, 9s to 10s, choice 11s; Sturmers, 4s to 7s, choice 8s bushel-case.

Pineapples.—Common 3s 6d to 4s, choice 5s 6d; Queens, 3s 6d to 4s case.

VEGETABLE MARKETS.

Trade in vegetables at the Belmore markets to-day was of only ordinary volume, and quotations were not subjected to much fluctuation.

Quotations: Cabbages, large, 3s to 4s, small 1s to 2s; cauliflowers, 3s to 5s, small, 1s to 2s; cucumbers, 2s to 2s 3d doz; carrots, 1s to 1s 3d; turnips, 9d to 1s; parsnips, 1s 6d to 2s; rhubarb, 2s to 2s 3d; herbs, 10d; spinach, 5d to 9d; parsley, 9d to 1s; beetroot, 1s to 1s 2d; mint, 4d to 6d; watercress, 1s 6d to 2s; celery, 1s to 1s 6d; lettuce, 9d to 1s; radishes, 6d doz bunches; onions, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; potatoes, Circulars 2s 9d to 3s, sweet 4s to 4s 6d, kidney (new) 15s cwt; peas, 3s 9d to 4s; French beans, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; pumpkins, 3s to 4s 6d; small from 2s doz; eschalots, 9d to 1s; leeks, 1s to 1s 3d doz bunches; tomatoes, 2s to 2s 6d case; artichokes, 1s 6d to 1s 9d bus.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

Truckings.—October 3, 118 sheep and 99 cattle waggons; October 6, 683 sheep vans, 67 cattle waggons.

STOCK SALES.

CITY YARDS.

Pigs: Since our last report, 1606 head have been forward, as follows, viz., 414 on Friday and 1192 on Tuesday, a much lighter supply than that of last week. Prices, however, remained unchanged for all classes, competition from a good attendance of buyers being strong. Backfatters were scarce, but under good competition prices were somewhat firmer. Extra prime and weighty are worth 60s to 66s, odd extra dearer; good and heavy 52s to 56s, good 45s to 50s, others from 40s. Baconers were in good supply, and curers being in strong evidence, competition was keen and prices firm, especially on good quality handy weights. Best pens realised 42s to 44s, prime and heavy 39s to 41s, prime lighter 40s to 42s, light 36s to 38s 6d, very light from 32s. Porkers were hardly as plentiful as of late, but buyers appeared to have supplies on hand, as competition was hardly so spirited as that of last week, and prices a shade lower. Best pens are worth 27s 6d to 30s, prime heavy 26s to 27s, good and weighty 23s 6d to 26s, prime lighter 20s to 23s, very light from 12s.

Calves: Only 100 head forward this week, as compared with 275 last. The quality generally was only fair, comprising small young calves and medium quality vealers. There was a good attendance of buyers, who competed freely on all classes, causing a rise in prices for anything of good quality. Store buyers also competed, thus keeping low-conditioned descriptions up to a very satisfactory level. Prime heavy yearlings made 80s to 85s, good and weighty 65s to 70s, others from 60s, prime young vealers 60s to 70s, good and heavy 45s to 55s, others from 35s. Poddies and small sorts from 12s to 30s, according to size and quality.

ALBURY, Wednesday.

At the market to-day 229 head cattle, 2000 sheep, and 40 pigs were yarded to a fair attendance of buyers. The following prices were realised:—Fat cattle: Bullocks, £10 17s 6d to £8 6s. Fat cows: Prime and heavy £8 12s 6d to £9, good to prime £7 10s to £8, light and inferior £4 10s to £5 5s. Fat sheep of exceptionally good quality carrying great fleeces of wool. Owing to heavy yarding and absence of outside competition prices were below late rates. Merino wethers, 18s 3d to 18s 2d; fat ewes, extra prime and heavy, 19s to 20s; best lambs, 11s 11d to 14s 10d; younger and smaller, 10s. Store sheep: Demand was good. Best merino wethers, 17s; small and late shorn, 14s 5d; mixed hoggets, 13s. Pigs: Baconers made £2 7s to £2 18s; porkers, £1 15s 6d to £1 17s; stores, 18s 6d to 25s; smaller sorts, 10s 6d to 17s 6d.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Elder, Smith, and Co., Limited, report:—Cattle: 430 yarded, chiefly good trade sorts. 150 from Queensland, 40 from New South Wales, and the balance from the north. Sales were quiet, and values weaker. Shippers purchased 30. Prime beef realised 25s to 26s. We sold 50 cattle. Sheep: 5200 penned, including 1400 from the Northern Territory. Opening sales were equal to last week's. The demand slackened considerably for second classes. Graziers purchased 300. Quotations:—Prime merino wethers, 24s to 26s; extra, 29s. Best ewes, 21s; shorn wethers, 18s; extra crossbred wethers, shorn, 24s. Lambs: 4700 penned. Prime were firm, others easier. Freezers purchased 2300. We sold 2000.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

At to-day's stock sales the following prices were realised:—Sheep: Fat wethers to 22s 6d; weaners, to 11s; ewes, with lambs at foot, 14s 6d. Fat cattle: Bullocks of medium to prime quality, £8 7s 6d to £10 10s; cows, £4 10s to £6. Stores: Cows, £3 10s to £4; three-years steers, £4 10s to £5; three-years heifers, £4 to £5; two-years heifers, £3 to £4; poddies, £1 15s to £2 5s; springers, £5 10s to £7 10s. Best beef worth 22s 6d per 100lb.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the live stock market to-day 1530 fat cattle were yarded, comprising 300 from New South Wales, 500 from the north-east district, 160 from Gippsland, 80 from South Gippsland, 100 from westward, 256 from the northern district, and the remainder from paddocks near town. The quality was well suited to trade requirements, a large proportion consisting of good and of prime. There was a representative attendance of buyers. Handy and moderate weights of prime quality were in best request. The demand, however, was unsteady, and in many instances prices ruled fully 10s per head lower than former quotations. Prime pens of bullocks sold at £11 10s to £13, extra ditto ditto £13 10s to £14 10s, odd beasts to £16 5s, good ditto £10 to £11; good light handy weights £8 10s to £9 10s, second £7 to £8. Very few cows yarded, and sold from £5 to £9 15s. 120 fat calves penned. Prime vealers in good request at late rates, while other grades ruled easier. Quotations:—Prime steers and heifers 75s to 110s, prime calves 50s to 65s, vealers 25s to 45s.

STOCK AND STATION PRODUCE.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Dalgety and Co., Limited, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Limited, report:—

Fur Skins.—Strong competition prevailed throughout for kangaroo, wallaroo, and wallaby, whilst bears receded slightly in price. Best rabbits were easier, whilst medium to good sorts showed a slight improvement. Opossumskins declined 3d to 6d per dozen. Grey kangaroo sold to 50½d each, red, to 58d; wallaroo to 48d; wallaby, scrub, to 27½d, swamp to 33d, rock to 9½d; goats to 29½d; bears to 14½d; best rabbits to 8½d per lb, medium to 7½d; grey opossums to 15s 3d per dozen, reds to 14s 6d, rumpers to 5s 6d, blacks to 30s 6d.

Leather.—Sales were held yesterday by Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co. Auctions, while being fairly attended, failed to disclose any improvement in demand, and only in the direction of best lines of light tweeds and superior grades of waxed goods was fair attention noticeable, such going to show that the wants of manufacturers were of small extent. Basils do not show activity, light averages finding fair favour, sole being at about late rates, while harness materials are at unchanged levels. Quotations: Calf tweed—best 18d to 21½d per lb, medium 16d to 18d; cow tweed—best 15½d to 16d, medium 14d to 15d; yearling tweed—best 16d to 17½d, medium 14½d to 15½d; split yearling tweed—best 15½d to 16½d, medium and heavy 14d to 15d; waxed calf—super 22d to 24d, medium and fair 17d to 19d; kip—super 12½d to 13d, medium 11d, to 12d, heavy and inferior 9½d to 10½d; waxed yearling—best, 16d to 17½d, heavy and com'n, 13½d to 15d; dressed splits,—super 8½d to 9d, medium 7d to 8d; sole—heavy, 11d to 12½d, medium, 9½d to 10½d, faulty and damaged 5½d to 7½d; shoulders, 7½d to 8½d; bellies, 5½d to 6½d; splits, rough butts, 4d to 6d; basils—1-shoe 11s 6d to 13s 6d per doz.; 2-shoe 7s to 9s, 3-shoe 2s 9d to 4s 6d, saddlers 16s to 17s; greasy, 9s 6d to 11s; bridle, 10s 6d to 12s 6d per side, bag 9s 6d to 11s; harness—best heavy brown 12d to 12½d, medium 10½d to 11d, heavy black 12½d to 13½d, medium 10½d to 11½d.

Bark.—Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report having held a bark sale yesterday, when a catalogue of about 1000 bags was submitted. A slight improvement was noticeable in the demand, but prices did not show any appreciable change. Best chopped sold to £7 15s per ton, medium to £7, light to £6, and inferior samples to £3 10s.

MELBOURNE DEAD MEAT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Metropolitan Dead Meat Market prices during the week ended to-day ruled as follow:—Beef: Prime bodies 25s to 26s per 100lb, medium 24s; prime forequarters 20s to 21s, medium 19s; prime hindquarters 29s to 30s, medium 28s. Sheep: Prime wethers 3d per lb, medium 2¾d; prime ewes 2¾d, medium 2¼d. Lambs: Prime 11s to 12s each, medium 9s to 10s.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Dealings in the Mining Market yesterday were not characterised by animation. In leading lines the usual business only was transacted, and otherwise matters were almost at a standstill. As on the previous day silver interests were slightly easier than of late, and a few small orders were satisfactorily filled. From the quotations given below it will be seen that a great many of the movements enumerated are, if anything, in favour of holders. Amongst the exchanges in the morning were Broken Hill Proprietary at 40s 4d, North Broken Hill 21s, and South, contg., 28s 6d; while later in the day B. H. Junction North were disposed of at 5s 8d, and Junctions at 5s 11d, 6s. There were inquiries for tin shares, and Briseis appear to have strengthened. Cope's Creek, on the other hand, were a shade weaker. Local gold lines are without any fluctuation worthy of note, but Western Australian stocks generally have fallen off, and leading descriptions were mostly a fraction or two lower.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s d	Sellers. £ s d
COAL.		
Bellambi	1 10 0	—
East Greta	—	1 6 3
Heddon Greta, new	—	1 4 0
Hetton	1 10 6	—
Newcastle	—	7 10 0
Stockton	—	0 6 9
Vale of Clwydd	0 16 0	0 19 0
Wallsend	22 10 0	25 0 0
Wickham and Bullock Island	0 1 0	—
Ditto, preferential (£1 paid)	0 2 9	0 5 6
COPPER.		
Crowl Creek	0 12 0	—
New Chillagoe	0 0 8¼	—
TIN.		
Briseis	0 10 0	0 11 0
Cope's Creek Dredging	0 7 0	0 9 3
New Wylie Creek	0 4 6	—
Stannary Hills	—	0 1 10
SILVER. New South Wales.		
British Broken Hill	0 12 0	0 12 6
Ditto, new	0 8 6	0 10 0
Broken Hill Proprietary	2 0 0	2 0 6
Block 10	—	2 6 0
Block 14	0 3 4	—
Ditto, preference	0 4 3	—
B. H. Junction	0 5 10	0 6 0
Junction North	0 5 7½	0 5 9
North Broken	1 0 6	1 1 3
B. H. South	1 17 6	1 17 6
Ditto, contributing	1 8 0	1 9 0
B. H. South Blocks	0 4 8	0 5 0
Ditto, contributing	0 1 3	—
Sulphide Corporation	0 6 4	—
Ditto, preference	0 14 0	0 18 0
Tasmania.		
Mount Lyell	0 11 0	—
GOLD. New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	0 0 9	—
King's Reef Company	0 0 4½	—
Mount David	—	0 0 10
New Hillgrove	0 11 3	0 11 7½
Occidental	0 4 10	—
Peak Hill	0 1 9	0 2 0
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 0
Woodlark Island	0 2 8	0 2 9
Ditto, contributing	0 1 6	—
Dredging and Sluicing Companies.		
Araluen Central	—	0 15 3
Ditto, contributing	—	0 14 3
Queensland.		
Brilliant Central	—	2 2 6
Brilliant Extended	—	0 14 9
Brilliant St. George	1 0 6	—
Ditto, contributing	0 17 0	0 18 0
Columbia Smithfield	0 0 10	0 1 0
Day Dawn Gold Mines	0 3 0	—
East Oriental and Glanmire	0 3 0	0 3 5
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 6
Kelly's Queen Block	0 1 6	—
Mount Morgan	2 5 0	2 7 6
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1 (old)	—	0 2 2
North Oriental and Glanmire, No. 1	—	0 4 6
North Smithfield	0 3 8	0 4 4
No. 1 North Victory	0 0 8	—
No. 2 North Victory	—	0 0 4
Papuan	0 2 0	—
Queen Central	0 7 10½	0 8 3
Queen Cross Reef	1 10 0	1 11 0
Ruby	—	0 4 8
Smithfield and P. Golden Pile	0 10 0	0 11 3
South Glanmire and Monkland	0 10 9	0 11 3
South Great Eastern No. 1	0 1 10	0 1 11½
Ditto, No. 2	2 9 0	2 11 0
Western Australia.		
Associated	1 14 0	1 18 0
Chaffer's	0 2 0	0 2 6
Great Boulder	0 19 0	0 19 4½
Great Boulder Perseverance	0 10 6	0 11 6
Great Fingall	—	7 15 0
Kalgurli, London register	—	0 5 10
Kalgurli South, London register	—	1 2 0
Lake View Consols, L.R.	—	1 4 0
North Boulder	—	3 0 0
Oroya-Brown Hill	3 10 0	3 1 0
Queensland Menzies	—	0 3 0
Queen Margaret	0 4 3	—
Victory United	—	0 2 9

EXCHANGE SALES.

The following sales were reported:—Overnight: Broken Hill Proprietary, 40s 4d. On 'Change: Briseis Tin Mines, 10s 4½d; Smithfield and Phoenix Golden Pile, 10s 6d; Queen Central, paid, 8s. Later: North Broken Hill, 21s; Broken Hill South, contg., 28s 6d. Noon: Woodlark Island Propy., paid, 2s 8d; ditto, contg., 1s 7d; Great Boulder Perseverance, 11s; Oroya Brown Hill, 60s. Later: Great Boulder Propy., 19s 3d; Broken Hill Junction North, 5s 8d; Broken Hill Junction, 5s 11d. Afternoon: Broken Hill Junction North, 5s 8d; Queen Central, paid, 8s. Later: Woodlark, paid, 2s 8d; Broken Hill Junction, 6s; North Broken Hill, 21s 1½d.

The manager of the Smithfield and Phoenix Golden Pile Company reported yesterday that up to 4in of quartz had been cut in the cross-cut from No. 4 North Phoenix mine, which is 453ft into the Smithfield and Phoenix Pile ground, carrying gold. The country is black rock.

At the Oriental and Glanmire 175 tons have yielded 133oz 8dwt 18gr of smelted gold.

ADELONG CREEK DREDGING LEASES.

In yesterday's issue the Adelong correspondent of the "Herald" gave particulars of an indignation meeting held at the township on Monday evening to protest against the action of the Minister for Mines regarding the dredging leases on Adelong Creek. Resolutions were passed to the effect that the threatened action of the department in connection with the dredging industry would be ruinous to the welfare of the district, that the inclusion of the word "water" in clause 2 of the lease granted to Davies on September 2 was of such a prohibitive nature that it practically amounted to a refusal of the lease and would prevent the industry being extended. It was also resolved that the Mines Department be asked to send an officer to hold an exhaustive inquiry regarding the alleged pollution of the creek. The Minister for Mines (Mr. Moore), who had his attention drawn to the matter yesterday by a representative of the "Herald," stated:—"Mr. Donaldson, M.L.A., waited on me to-day and presented the resolution passed at the meeting, together with a large petition in support of it. I admit that the matter is of so much importance that I have instructed Mr. Jaquet, Chief Inspector of Mines, to visit Adelong. He will inquire into the whole matter, and make a special report on the subject to me."

BARRIER MINES.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The North mill did good service last week, treating 1612 tons of crude sulphides for a yield of 330 tons concentrates. The despatches total 413 tons concentrates, leaving about 300 tons of this product on the mine floors. The productive stopes are well holding their own, and supplies equal the demand. In the southern section, 700ft level, the body is being worked from the sill to the eighth floor, and the body off the west drive of the 800ft level is being worked on the open cut system, 14ft high, supported by bulkheads. In the far north section of the 600ft level the body work is chiefly on the sill, but also in one place on the second floor.

The opening out of friable sulphides in the corner of the ground belonging to the British from the 470ft level of the Junction North will be watched with much interest, for unless the lode comes to an end, which is improbable, it will continue into the adjoining property.

Block 10 plant was working 131 hours last week, and treated 2053 tons of crude sulphides, which yielded 390 tons of concentrates of high metal contents. There are many delays through breakages to the machinery. The despatches totalled 301 tons concentrates, leaving about 577 tons of this product on hand at the close of the week. Satisfactory runs are being made under working conditions with the western section of the new mill. The third steam turbine has arrived, and is being put in position. The other two of these machines are being run daily with satisfactory results. Good breasts of sulphides are exposed at the various working levels from 1215ft upwards, and the mill wants are readily coming forward. Progressive work is proceeding at six points, the operations including an upraise from the 1215ft level.

PAYABLE WASH AT TINGHA.

TINGHA, Wednesday.

Schuman and party, on the Tapper's Mountain lead, are driving on payable wash, and have several extra hands employed. Pennell and party, working on Hoy's old block on the same lead, are raising payable wash. Barlum and party, working near the head of the herding yard, are obtaining payable wash. Young and party, working in the same locality, are raising and stacking surfacing ready for rain. Nash and party, on Williams' Gully are raising and stacking payable wash. Geary and party, working on the old Phoenix block, have a considerable quantity of poor wash ready for ground sluicing. Ricketts and party have stripped a heavy bank of wash near the head of Stoney Creek. Although poor it will pay if ground-sluiced when water comes. Bowers and party, working at the Red Hill, are driving on payable wash. Taylor and party, working the adjoining block by means of a tunnel from Cope's Creek, are also driving on payable wash. Jack and party, working on Herding Yard Gully, are raising payable wash, but have a very heavy body of water to contend with. Markham and party, who for some time have been ground-sluicing on the old Wheal Mary block, between Star Gully and Herding Yard Creek, have been compelled to knock off owing to a want of water.

Orchead and party, working a small reef for the past three years, with profitable returns, on the Tingha-Inverell-road, continue to raise payable stone. Numerous small parties working on Branch Creek are stacking poor wash ready for rain. Little and party near Summer Hill some three miles from Tingha, are obtaining payable stone from their reef. The local price of tin ore is £77 per ton, but owing to the continued dry weather is very scarce, and little is being brought in for sale.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The Stock Exchange sales and quotations to-day were:—Associated (col.), 35s 6d, 34s, b 24s, s 34s 3d; ditto (London), 34s, 34s 1½d, 34s; Northern (col.), 25s 3d, b 25s, s 25s 6d; Chaffer's, 2s, b 2s, s 2s 2d; Cumberland, b 12s 9d, s 13s; Great Boulder, 19s 4½d, b 19 3d, s 19s 4½d; ditto (London), 19s 1½d, 19s 3d; Golden Pole, b 13s, s 15s; Perseverance (col.), 11s 6d, b 11s 4½d, s 11s 7½d; Hainault, b 14s 3d, s 15s; Island Eureka, 9d, 8½d, 9d, 8d; Junction, paid, 1s 10d; Kalgurli, £5; Lady Mary, 3d; Lake View Consols (colonial), b 23s, s 24s; North Kalgurli, b 5s 2d, s 5s 5d; North Boulder, 2s 3d, 2s, b 2s, s 2s 2d; Oroya (colonial), 60s 3d, 60s 6d, 60s, b 60s, s 60s 3d; ditto (London), 59s 6d; Princess Royal, paid, 16s, b 16s, s 18s 3d; ditto, contg., 13s 10½d, b 13s 9d, s 14s; Central, paid, 2s 4½d, b 2s 4½d, s 2s 7d; Queen Margaret, 4s 5½d, b 4s 5d, s 4s 6d; South Kalgurli, b 21s, s 22s 6d; Waihi, 2s 5½d, 2s 6d, b 2s 5½d, s 2s 6½d; Victory United, 2s 4½d, 2s 4d, 2s 7d, 2s 6½d, b 2s 6½d, s 2s 7d; Broken Hill, 40s 9d, b 40s 3d, s 40s 9d; British B. H. (old), 12s 4½d, b 12s 3d, s 12s 4½d; ditto, B. H. (new), 9s 10d, b 9s 8d, s 9s 11d; B. H. Block 10, b 44s, s 45s; B. H. Junction, 5s 11d, 5s 10d, 6s, b 6s, s 6s 1d; North B.H., 21s 9d, 21s, 20s 10½d, 21s 1½d, 21s, b 20s 9d; South B.H., paid, b 37s 3d, s 37s 6d; ditto, contg., 28s 7½d, 28s 9d, b 28s 6d, s 28s 10½d; South Broken Hill Blocks, paid, b 5s, s 5s 2d; Junction North, 5s 7½d, 5s 7d, 5s 10d, 5s 8d, b 5s 8d, s 5s 10d; Sulphide Corporation, 6s 6d, 6s 7d, b 6s 7d, s 6s 8d; Paull's, 50s, 52s 6d; Wallaroo, b 17s, 17s 6d; Briseis, 10s 9d, b 10s 7½d, s 11s.

BENDIGO, Wednesday.

The following were the sales on the Stock Exchange to-day:—Great Extended Hustler's, 21s 6d, 22s 6d, 22s 3d; New Argus, 36s 6d, 37s; New Hopeful, 8s, 8s 4½d, 8s; Specimen Hill, 27s 3d, 27s; Ulster, 12s 3d.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The sales to-day were:—No. 1 South Great Eastern, 1s 10½d; No. 2 ditto, 50s 6d; Queen Central, paid, 8s; Mount Morgan, 46s 9d.

Quotations: Chillagoe, b 7½d, s 10d; Smith's Creek, s 3s 6d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

The following were the sales to-day:—Brilliant Extended, 11s 6d; Craven's Caledonia, 4d; Golden Alexandra, 5s 4d, 5s 5d; Grant and Sunset, 1s 2d; London, paid, 3s; New Irish Girl, 1s; North Queen, 4d; Queen Central, 8s 3d, 8s 4d; Ruby Macdonald, 1s 6d; Caledonia, 1s 9d; Victoria, 10d.

Quotations: Blue Peter, s 2s 6d; Bonnie Dundee, s 2s 9d; Brilliant Central, s 45s; Brilliant Blocks, b 9s 6d, s 9s 9d; ditto, paid, b 10s 6d, s 10s 9d; Brilliant St. George, paid, s 21s 6d; Brilliant Extended, b 11s 4d, s 11s; ditto, paid, b 14s 3d, s 14s 6d; Clark's B.W. and V., b 6d, s 9d; ditto, paid, b 1s 2d, s 1s 3d; Craven's Caledonia, b 4d, s 5d; Day Dawn Gold Mines, b 3s, s 3s 6d; Golden Alexandra, b 4s, s 4s 2d; ditto, paid, b 5s 4d, s 5s 5d; Grant and Sunset, b 7d; ditto, paid, b 1s 1d, s 1s 3d; Grand Junction, b 6d, s 8d; Imperial, b 2d, s 3d; Kelly's Queen Block, b 8d, s 9½d; ditto, paid, b 1s 7d, s 1s 9d; Kulamadau, b 2d, s 4d; ditto, paid, b 7d, s 10d; London, b 1s 7d, s 2s; ditto, paid, b 3s, s 3s 5d; London North, s 6d; ditto, paid, b 9d; Marshall's Queen, b 2s 6d; ditto, paid, b 4s, s 4s 5d; Mills' United, b 4s 0½d, s 4s 1d; New Irish Girl, b 11½d, s 1s 0½d; New Queen, b 3s, s 3s 2d; ditto North, b 4d, s 4½d; ditto, paid, b 2s, s 2s 9d; Papuan, b 2s 3d, s 2s 6d; Phoebe, b 1s 9d, s 2s 1d; ditto, paid, b 3s 4d, s 3s 7d; Queen Cross Reef, b 29s, s 31s; Queen Cross Extended, b 2½d; Queen Central, paid, b 8s 3d, s 8s 5d; Queen Central Block, b 1s 7d, s 1s 11d; Rob Roy, paid, b 3½d, s 5d; Ruby, b 3s 8d, s 4s; ditto, paid, b 4s 7d; Ruby United, b 3s 4d, s 3s 5d, ditto, paid, s 3s 9d; Ruby Macdonald, s 7d; ditto, paid, b 1s 4d, s 1s 7d; Vesuvius, s 3s; Victoria Queen, b 2s, s 2s 5d; Victoria and Caledonia, b 1s 7d, s 1s 10d; Victoria, b 9½d, s 10d; Victory, b 1s 3d, s 2s 1d; Wallis' Day Dawn, b 4d, s 6d; ditto, paid, b 1s 2d, s 1s 4d.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

The following were the sales to-day:—No. 1 North Home Rule, 10d; North Oriental and G., 4½d, 5d; East Oriental and G., 2s 5d; Oriental Consols, 1s 1½d.

Quotations:—No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield, b 1s 2d, s 1s 3d; Columbia Extended, b 6d, s 7d; No. 1 South Gympie, b 11½d, s 1s 3d; No. 1 South Great Eastern, b 1s 9d, s 1s 11d; No. 2 ditto, b 50s, s 51s 8d; No. 7 South Lady Mary, b 3d, s 7d; No. 1 North Home Rule, b 10d, s 11d; No. 2 North Oriental and G., b 4½d, s 5½d; North Oriental and G., b 4½d, s 5½d; Oriental Extended, paid, b 11½d, s 1s 3d; ditto, contg., b 4d, s 5d; East Oriental and G., paid, b 3s 1d, s 3s 2½d; ditto, contg., b 2s 4d, s 2s 5½d; Oriental Consols, b 1s 3d, s 1s 4d; Phoenix Golden Pile, b 1s 4d, s 1s 5d; No. 6 North Phoenix, b ½d, s 1½d; Smithfield and Phoenix Golden Pile, b 10s, s 11s 6d; North Smithfield, b 3s 6d, s 4s 2d; No. 1 North Smithfield, b 3s, s 7s 6d; No. 1 North Victory, b 9d, s 10d; New Dawn, paid, b 8d, s 10d.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

The quotations to-day were:—New Golden Gate, b 60s, s 67s 6d; Volunteer, b 1s 7d, s 1s 10d; Magnet, 20s; Hercules, 5s 3d; Mount Bischoff, £41 15s, s £42 5s; Arba, b 7s 3d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Sales and quotations on the Stock Exchange to-day were:—

Silver: B.H. Block 10, 41s, b 43s 6d, s 44s; B.H. Proprietary, b 40s 6d; Junction, 6s, 5s 11d, b 5s 11d, s 6s 1d; B.H. Junction North, 5s 8d, 5s 10d, 5s 9d, b 5s 8d, s 5s 10d; South B.H., b 28s 6d, s 29s; ditto, paid, 37s 3d, 37s 9d; South B.H. Blocks, b 1s 6d, s 1s 8d; ditto, paid, b 4s 9d, s 5s; New W. Leads, 1½d; North Broken Hill, 21s 3d, 20s 10½d, 21s 3d, b 21s 1½d, s 21s 4½d; Sulphide Corporation, b 6s 5d, 6s 6d.

Copper and gold companies: Mount Lyell, 11s 9d, 11s 7½d, b 11s 6d, s 11s 9d; ditto Blocks, 3s, 3s 1d, b 3s, s 3s 1d; Crowl Creek, s 11s; Mount Morgan, b 42s; Victoria Charters Towers, 9d.

Coal: Newcastle Coal, s £7 5s; Westport, s £7 10s.

Tin: Mount Bischoff, s 42s 0½d; Briseis, 10s 6d, 10s 9d, 10s 7½d, b 10s 7½d, s 10s 9d.

Victorian mines: Band and Loch, b 6s 6d, s 7s 3d; Berry United, s 4s 6d; Birthday Tunnel, b 11s 7½d; Black Horse United, b 8s, s 11s; Cassilis, s 19s; Central Columbia, b 1s 3d, s 1s 4d; ditto, paid, 1s 1d, 1s, 1s 1d; Chiltern Valley, b 43s, s 48s; ditto, Consols, b 1s 10d, s 2s; Clarence, 47s, b 46s, s 46s 6d; Duchess of York, 1s 3d, 1s 6d, b 1s 5d, s 1s 8d; Duke of Wellington, 10s 3d, 11s, b 10s 9d, s 11s 3d; ditto, South, 9d, b 9d, s 10d; Fortuna Hustlers, 20s 3d, b 20s, s 20s 6d; Glenfine South, 3s 4d, 3s 9d, b 3s 9d, s 3s 11d; Great Berry, contg., paid, 4s; Great Extended Hustlers, s 22s; Great Southern, b 27s, s 29s; ditto, Consols, 10s 10½d, b 10s 6d, s 11s; Homeward Bound, 2s 5d, b 2s 5d, s 2s 7d; Hustler's Reef, s 21s; Jubilee, s 42s; Junction Dredging, b 18s; ditto, paid, b 18s; King Cassilis, 2s 3d, b 2s; Long Tunnel, £5 6s, £5 5s, b £5 5s, s £5 6s; ditto, Extended, £14 10s, b £14 10s, s £14 15s; Lord Nelson, 54s, b 52s, s 61s; 55s; Maori Queen, 62s, b 61s; ditto, paid, s 70s; New Argus, 35s, 36s 6d, 36s, b 35s 6d, s 36s 6d; New Dempsey, b 18s; ditto, paid, s 20s, New Hopeful, 8s, 8s 3d, 7s 11d, b 7s 11d, s 8s; New Moon, £8 7s, s £8 8s; New Moon Consolidated, b 13s 6d, s 14s; New Stirling, 2s 4d, 2s 3d, b 2s, s 2s 4d; N. Franklin, 2s 2d, 2s 3d, b 2s 4d; Prentice and S., b 3s 3d, s 4s; Russell's Reef, 3s 3d, b 3s 3d, s 3s 6d; South German, b 16s 3d, s 16s 6d; South New Moon, b £12 12s; S. Victors, 1s, b 1s, s 1s 3d; Specimen Hill, 27s 3d, 27s, b 26s 9d, s 27s; Spring Hill Leads, s 5 3d; Star of the West, 11s 6d, 11s 9d, 11s 6d, b 11s 6d, s 11s 9d; Unity, s 11s; Victoria Consols, s 5s; William's Fancy, 11s 7½d, Berry Consols, s 5s; William's Fancy, 11s 7½d, 12s 9d, b 11s 9d.

Western Australian mines: Associated, b 34s; Bayley's Consols, 1s; Great Boulder, 19s 6d, b 19s 3d, s 19s 6d; Phillip's River, b 6d; ditto, paid, b 1s; ditto Options, b 22s; Tindal's, b 7d, s 10d.

CROWL CREEK COMPANY.

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

HIGHLY SATISFACTORY REPORT.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Crowl Creek Company held to-day, Mr. E. M. King, chairman of directors, presided, and in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, said he had to congratulate shareholders on the steady and satisfactory progress made during the last six months. At the last half-yearly meeting he had stated he hoped that by the time of the next meeting to have paid off all liabilities then existing, totalling over £9650. He was happy to say that the whole of this large amount had now been paid off, and that the cost of several additions to the mine plant, running into nearly £2500, had also been paid out of the profits made during the half-year. He thought they might regard this as very satisfactory work. With reference to the policy that would be pursued at the mine, this would almost entirely depend upon the recommendations of the general manager, in the light of later developments. So far as could be seen at present, the policy would be to open out for stoping at the 430ft level, to continue sinking to 550ft, and again open out at that depth and at the same time to develop and prove with the diamond drill the different parts of the mine, where there was a probability of striking ores. The question of adding further to the smelting plant with the view of increasing the copper output would receive the careful attention of the management as soon as developments warranted such a step. The mine was now on a profit earning basis, and, all going well, should very soon be at a dividend paying stage. If they continued to make satisfactory profits they ought before long to be in a position to pay a dividend. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. In answer to questions, the chairman said he did not like to make a precise statement as to when dividends would be declared, but the board hoped to begin them during the current half-year.

A SENSATIONAL DISCOVERY.

PERTH, Wednesday.

Eight and a half tons of stone from Shank Brothers' claim at Emancipation, in the Leonora district, have been cleaned up for an average of 16oz 14dwt of gold per ton.

Six tons from No. 1 Victory, owned by the same party, gave an average of 53oz to the ton.

The strike made by Richards and Stephens, tributers on Lang and Hatts, at the Southern Cross, is now said to be a clearly-defined reef of quartz smothered in gold stone supposed to go 3000oz to ton.

BATTERIES IN QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

A deputation of the Labour members of the Legislative Assembly waited on the Minister for Mines to-day urging the establishment of a State battery. Mr. Blair, in reply, said the needs of the State precluded any sum being put on the Estimates for this year. He recognised the importance of the industry, and invited members to assist him in furthering it. Concluding, he promised to lay the views of the deputation before the Cabinet, who would fully consider them, but for this session no hope could be entertained of initiating State batteries. Mr. Blair also pointed out that there were 60 batteries idle in Queensland, and he promised to secure fullest information as to why they were idle.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 28.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday prices of Australian mining securities were:—

Mt. Lyell, 11s 6d.

Briseis, 11s.

The following were amongst the quotations for Australian shares on the London Stock Exchange yesterday:—Great Boulder, 20s (b); Mount Lyell, 12s (m); Paringa, 2s (b); Associated, 33s 9d (s); Ivanhoe, £7 2s 6d (b); Oroya, 65s (m); Associated Northern, 24s 4½d (m); Boulder Deep, 9s 3d (b); Hannan's Star, 9s (b).

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared and are payable on the dates mentioned. The letter "C" denotes the date on which the transfer books close:—

Lord Nelson, Victoria, 1s, October 7.

Queen Cross Reef, 2s, October 7, C September 30.

Kalgurli, 2s 6d, October 6.

Main Leads North, 6d, October 7.

Long Tunnel Extended, 6s, October 9.

Brilliant Central, 1s, October 14, C October 7.

Commonwealth, 1s 9d, October 6, C October 1.

Broken Hill Water, 6d, October 1, C September 21.

Golden Pole, W.A., 6d, October 6.

Oonah, 3d, October 25, C October 19.

Spring Gully, No. 1, 6d, September 29, C September 27.

Lachlan Gold Fields, 6d, September 29.

Clarence United Bendigo, 1s, September 29.

Birthday, Berringa, 1s, October 5, C September 30.

Ivanhoe, 5s, October 28, C October 8.

Duke United, 6d, September 30.

United Gleeson and Sailor Bills, 6d, October 5, C October 3.

THE DEFENCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It seems to me that the people of this State are quite contented to live on in a very much mistaken sense of security, and will not be awakened to the true position of affairs of the defences of this State until it is too late to put them right. They only need think what it would mean to themselves and also to their country—that is, if they care anything for their country—for a foreign army to be landed at any part of the coast of New South Wales, which is not at all impossible, for there are many parts of our coast where troops could be landed, and there are no fortifications of any great strength, except Port Jackson, Newcastle, and Botany Bay. And what have we got to repel them? A few thousands of militia and volunteers. Our Garrison Artillery, in its present deficiency of numbers, would have all its time occupied in manning the forts, and we would have to depend wholly on our militia and volunteers. They would do their duty, but they could not do impossibilities, and with our deficiency of modern small arms and ammunition it would be but a very poor fight they could make of it against a well trained and equipped body of troops such as would be sent against us. Some people will say, what about our warships? But in the event of such a happening with the small number of warships stationed on the Australian station at the present time they could not be at every vulnerable point on our coastline, and, also, there are numerous other contingencies with which they would have to contend. And the result would be defeat of our army, capture of all the coastal towns and forts of importance, and then the people of this and other States would, perhaps, wake up to the fact that they had allowed themselves to drift into a state of indifference too long to rectify it, and gulled by Ministers who do not seem to care what happens to the country which supports them.

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ANTI-CHINESE AGITATION.

At the quarterly meeting of the Operative Stonemasons the secretary (Mr. James Tait) reported that a request had come from the Anti-Chinese and Asiatic League desiring the affiliation of the stonemasons, with a view to joining a deputation to wait upon the Premier at an early date to further the resolutions of the League. After discussion the secretary was instructed to inform the League that the request could not be complied with, as the stonemasons were affiliated with the Political Labour League, and the first plank of their platform made adequate provision for a White Australia.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

E. C. V. BROUGHTON.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, House and Land.

H. DUFF and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Family Residence and Land.

PHEGAN AND WALSH.—At 15 Oxford-street, Waverley, at 11, Houses and Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON and LITTLE.—At Viking, Grosvenor street, Bondi Junction, at 11, Furniture, China, Bicycle, Electroplate, Pianoforte, etc.; at the Rooms, at 2.30, Law Library, etc.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At the Bungalow, Alice street, Ashfield, at 11, Furniture, Pianoforte, Lace Jeunes, Books, China, Cutlery, Bookcase, etc.

S. H. HARRIS and CO.—At the Mart, at 11, Indigo Serges, Crimean Shirtings, Cream Tartar, etc.

S. DAVIS.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, etc.

CLARKE and SOLOMONS.—At the Rooms, Walker street, North Sydney, at 11, Furniture, Piano, Cutlery, Glassware, China, Blankets, etc.

V. R. KELSON.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Glassware, Electroplate, Pianofortes, Dinner and Tea Sets, etc.

M. DE LISSA and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Furniture, Crockery, House Linen, Ornaments, etc.

FRASER, UTHER, and CO.—At the City Mart, at 12, Teas.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 282 Oxford-street, Paddington, at 11, Furniture, Crockery, Ornaments, etc.; at 170 George-street West, at 3, Furniture, Pianos, Oil Paintings, etc.

A. G. JENKINS.—At M'Ewan's Cafe, Imperial Arcade, at 11, Cooking Ranges, Piping, Counter, Linoleum, etc.; at Railway-parade, Mortdale, at 2.15, Furniture, etc.

H. LEVY.—At 135 Regent-street, at 2, Furniture, Clothing, Boots, etc.

At Russell-street, Watson's Bay, at 11, Furniture.

EVANS and CO.—At Brown-street, St. Peters, at 2.30, Furniture, etc.

MITCHELL and CRANSTON.—At 68 Bridge-road, Camperdown, at 11, Furniture, Glassware, etc.

J. LEAN.—At 75 Engine-street, Haymarket, at 2.30, Furniture, etc.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30, 11, and 11.30, Horses, Vehicles, etc.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

At the Wool Exchange, at 10, Hair, Horns, etc.; at 2.30, Tallow.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At the Wool Salerooms, at 10.30, Hair, Horns, Bones; at 2.30, Tallow.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 11, Cows.

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. D. PATTISON.—At 70 Pitt-street, at 1, Boxes, Palms, etc.

ANAEMIA AND DEBILITY.

A PROMPT CURE.

THE CASE OF MISS LENEHAN.

(By a Reporter.)

It is said that pain, like joy, becomes dulled by repetition or by the callousness that comes with years, but on listening to some personal experiences of Miss Nellie Lenehan, of No. 38 Cross-street, Forest Lodge, a reporter learned that this is not always true.

"The longer my illness lasted," said Miss Lenehan, "the more acute my pains became. When I was living in Brisbane I enjoyed the very best of health, being quite robust and without a care in life, but the Sydney climate did not agree with me, for after being here a while the colour left my cheeks, and I became thin and miserable. I suffered from poverty of the blood, my complexion getting frightfully pale, and my lips and gums almost white. The change which had so suddenly taken place in my appearance caused me the utmost concern. But it was not only in my looks that there was room for the gravest of fears to be entertained. No; it was the intense feeling of languor, as if every particle of strength had been drained away, which made me dread the possibility of falling into a decline. All day long I was oppressed with a feeling of drowsiness, which gave me a constant desire to be lying down. It was no pleasure for me to be in company, owing to the irritating effect which conversation had; neither could I employ an hour in reading, because my eyes felt weak and swollen, and the heavy pains in my head drove away any inclination for pleasure. To put my condition in concise form, I was utterly miserable and dejected, without one desire which could bring me a moment's comfort."

"A very unhappy plight for a young lady to be in," remarked the reporter.

"You are right; but I have not yet told you half what I went through. Besides being so weak that it was risky for me to walk without having support of some kind, I was as nervous as anybody could be. All sorts of nonsensical ideas came to my head and frightened me, especially when I was vainly endeavouring to get sleep at nights. Ah, that is what helped to bring me down to a comparative shadow—the mere fact of not being able to get any rest—and what a wretched state of affairs it is to lie awake and suffer mental and physical agony all night. My chest hurt me, and my limbs ached acutely, while an annoying pain occasionally appeared between my shoulders. If I dozed off for an hour I dreamt the whole time, and every morning my tongue was furred, and my mouth had a nasty taste. Whether I was sitting down or not my nerves were always trembling violently, and to look at me you would have thought it impossible for them to get steady again."

"You don't appear to be of a nervous temperament now?"

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I, Nellie Lenehan, of 38 Cross-street, Forest Lodge, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Commonwealth of Australia, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of three folios, and consecutively numbered from one to three, and it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and cure by Clements Tonic, and also contains my full permission to publish in any way my statements, which I give voluntarily, without receiving any payment; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously, believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act, 1900.

Nellie Lenehan

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MASON.—The Funeral of the late CHARLOTTE ANN MASON will leave her late residence, Boundary-street, Parramatta, at 10.45 a.m. THIS DAY (Thursday), for the Cemetery, Western-road, Parramatta.
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KIPPEN.—The Friends of Mr. WILLIAM KIPPEN, of Hurstville, and Mr. and Mrs. J. FRIZ, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE and their MOTHER; to move from her daughter's residence, Starling-street, Leichhardt Hill, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1, for Sutherland Cemetery, via Sydney railway station.
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DOUGALL.—The Friends of the late Mrs. WM. DOUGALL are kindly invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her late residence, Lauriston, Penkivil-street, Bondi, at 3 p.m., THIS DAY, for South Head Cemetery.

THE Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EMMA, and VIOLET GOODYEAR are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON and BROTHER, Edward James Goodyear; to leave St. John's Church, Darlinghurst, at 3 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.

WILLIAMSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN WILLIAMSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON, Alfred George; to move from their residence, 80 Kent-street, Miller's Point, TO-MORROW (Friday), at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
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